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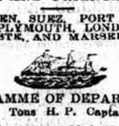
SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM TO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.



PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessels.	Tons	H. P.	Captains.	FRIDAY 1886.
M VERONA	3116	600	M. de Horne	5th Feb.
L CATHAY	2953	550	J. P. Hassall	12th "
— GWALIOR	2733	500	F. Harris	19th "
L GANGES	4196	800	E. Stewart	26th "
M SIAM	3011	500	R. F. Brinson	5th Mar.
L NEPAUL	3536	600	T. J. Alderton	12th "
— NIZAM	2735	500	W. J. Webber	19th "
L THAMES	4101	800	W. A. Seaton	26th "
M AUSTRALIA	3664	600	E. Ashdown	2nd April.
L PESHAWUR	3900	600	R. H. Moule	9th "
— ASSAM	3038	500	W. J. Nantes	16th "
L CLYDE	4124	800	E. M. Edmond	23rd "
M MALWA	2959	500	G. W. Atkinson	30th "
L HYDASPES	2984	550	G. Scrivener	7th May.
— GWALIOR	2733	500	F. Harris	14th "
L SURAT	3112	550	C. H. Edwards	21st "
				TUESDAY
M CATHAY	2983	550	J. P. Hassall	25th "

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta; and those marked M via Marseilles. By the others, passengers for London and Marseilles change vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon, at 3 p. m. on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessels	Tons. H.P.	Captains.	1886.
CLYDE	4124 800	E. M. Edmond	5th Feb.
HYDASPES	2984 550	G. Scrivener	19th "
SURAT	3112 550	C. H. Edwards	5th March.
ANCONA	3128 600	R. G. Murray	19th "

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars at which apply to

F. D. PARKER,
Superintendent, P & O. S. N. Company.

Bombay, January 25, 1886.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

MARSEILLES ROUTE.
FORTNIGHTLY DEPARTURES.

PASSENGERS can now be BOOKED to MARSEILLES by any of the following steamers:—

	Vessels.	Tons.	H. P.
* 5th Feb.	"VERONA"	3116	600
19th "	"GWALIOR"	2733	500
* 5th Mar.	"SIAM"	3011	500
19th "	"NIZAM"	2736	500
* 2nd April	"AUSTRALIA"	3664	600
16th "	"ASSAM"	3038	500
* 30th "	"MALWA"	2959	500
14th May	"GWALIOR"	2733	500
* 25th "	"CATHAY"	2983	500

The steamers marked * proceed direct to Marseilles; passengers by the others change vessels at Suez.

Through tickets from Bombay to London *via* Marseilles, including the railway fare from Marseilles to London, are issued:—

First Class.....Rs. 680.
Second Class..... " 370.

For further particulars apply to

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Bombay, 25th January, 1886.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA

SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.

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	Tons. H.P.	
DOMENICO BALDUINO (late China)	5,000 850	1st Mar. 1886
RAFFAELE RUBATTINO	5,00 850	1st April 1886
MANILLA	5,000 850	1st May 1886

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Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, Feb. 1, 1886.

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BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

s.s. VICTORIA	3242	480	W. Russel	13th Feb.
s. s. ASIA	3350	480	J. Craig	20th "
s. s. BELGRAVIA	3000	500	J. C. Boothby	6th Mar.
s. s. ARABIA	3500	480	J. Laird	20th "
s. s. BRITANNIA	3069	480	F. Blight	1st April.
s. s. CALIFORNIA	3118	480	W. S. Young	10th "
s. s. NUBIA	3353	480	T. G. Knox	24th "
s. s. VICTORIA	3242	480	Wm. Russel	15th May.
s. s. BELGRAVIA	3000	500	J. C. Boothby	29th "

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THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Gymkhana will be held in the Pavilion, on WEDNESDAY, 3rd day of February, at 6 p. m.

F. C. MACRAE,
H. D. OLIVIER, Captain R. E.
Joint Honorary Secretaries.

Bombay, 13th January, 1886.

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FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

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Dessert "	" "	22 0
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HIDE HAND or Carriage Bags	12 0	to	29
COURIER BAGS	10 0	to	14 0
WIDE OPENING Bags, best hide leather	20 0	to	29 0
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CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per s. s. SAINT ASAPH, from Cardiff and London, are hereby requested to present their Bills of Lading, with delivery orders for our countersignature, and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS from the Prince's Dock.
Matches, Oils, Naphtha, and other inflammable articles must be removed as they are landed, failing which they will be exposed at consignee's risk and subject to removal to the combustible shed at their expense.
All Chafed or damaged Goods must be surveyed before removal from the Dock, and no claims will be admitted after the Steamer leaves, without bearing the Captain's Countersignatures.
CURSETJEE EDULJEE,
Agents, S.S. Saint Asaph.
Bombay, February 1886.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned for supplying 1,000 boxes of DEVOE'S BEST KEROSINE OIL up to 13th February 1886. Further particulars will be given on application. The Committee does not bind to accept the lowest or any tender.
By order,
DAYABHOY,
Secy. to the Municipal Committee.
Ahmedabad, Municipal Office, 28th Jany. 1886.

ANY PERSONS having any claims against or being indebted to the Estate of the late Colonel Singleton, C. B., Commandant 28th Regiment Bombay Infantry, should communicate with the undersigned at once, as after one month from this date no claims will be entertained.
R. WESTMACOTT, Lt.-Colonel,
28th Regiment Bombay Infantry,
President of Committee of Adjustment.

TO BE LET from 1st May next, an upper-storied full furnished Bungalow on Malabar Hill. Rent moderate. For rent and other particulars apply to
P. BYRAMJEE,
2, Hornby-row, Fort. House Agent.

TO LET, with immediate possession, an OFFICE in Forbes street. For rent and other particulars apply to
P. BYRAMJEE,
2, Hornby-row, Fort. House Agent.

TO BE LET, from 1st March next, a very desirable two storied BUNGALOW, situated on Cumballa Hill, now in the occupation of Dr. Pechey. For rent and other particulars apply to
P. BYRAMJEE,
2, Hornby-row, Fort. House Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that MOCHI RAMJEE VITHAL has contracted to SELL to SHA BHIMJEE RAMJEE all that piece or parcel of Fazandary land with the Messuage Tenement or dwelling-house situated in Narron Dhurn street, No. 1, outside the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 80 3-9 square yards or thereabouts, and assessed by the Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under ward No. 891 and street No. 61 and 66 and bounded on the east by the said Narron Dhurn street No. 1, on the west by sweeper's passage, on the north by the house of Manmohundas Ghersherdas Munordas, and in the south by the house of the said Bhimjee Ramjee. All persons having any claim in the said property by way of Mortgage, inheritance, sale, gift, lease or otherwise are hereby required within fourteen days from the date hereof to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at the office in Fort, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim. Dated this 2nd day of February 1886.
TYABJI DAYABHAI,
Purchasers Solicitors.

BOMBAY MILLOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.
NOTICE.
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the members of the Association will be held at the offices of the Association No. 50 Graham's Building by the Fort, before the meeting on SATURDAY, the 13th instant at 3-30 p.m. for the transaction of the following business :—
(1) To receive the report and accounts of the Association for the period ending 31st December, 1885.
(2) To elect a Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Association, and to elect five members of the Committee in lieu of those retiring from office, but who are eligible for re-election.
(3) To alter rule XI as regards the date of holding the Annual General Meeting.
(4) To pass rules for arbitration in disputes respecting trade-marks.
Any other business which may be brought forward.
By order of the Committee.
JOHN MARSHALL,
Bombay, February 2nd 1886. Secretary.

CHUBB'S PATENT BOXES, LOCKS, &c.
DESPATCH BOXES. JAPANNED TIN.
EACH fitted with Tray, Portfolio, Instrument-Pad, Note Paper, Envelopes, Patent Inkstand, Wax, &c.; and with space for Letters and Papers beneath the Tray, with Patent Detector Lock and two Keys.

		Rs. a.
No. 1.	15 by 10 by 5 inches Rs. 41 4 with extra Tray	0 0
„ 2.	15 by 10 by 6 inches Rs. 45 0 „ „ „	49 8
„ 3.	17 by 11 by 7 inches Rs. 0 0 „ „ „	53 4
„ 3.	fitted with Inkstands	09 4

Leather Travelling Cover for above No. 1 Rs. 12,
No. 2 Rs. 13-8, No. 3 ..... 15 0

CASH-BOXES.

No. 3	9 by 5¼ by 3½ „	17 4
„ 4	10 „ 6 by 4 „	19 8
„ 5	11 by 6¼ by 4½ „	21 0
„ 6	12 by 7 „ by 5 „	22 8
„ 7	14 by 8 by 5 „	24 12

PAPER BOXES.

	Outside Measure.	With Pen-tray and Inkstands.
No. 1—14 by 8 by 5 inches	Rs. 22 8	27 0
„ 2—15 by 9½ by 6 „	„ 24 12	29 4

DEED BOXES.

No. 1—13 by 9 by 8 inches	Rs.	20 4
„ 2—14½ by 10 by 10 „	„	22 8
„ 3—16 by 12 by 11 „	„	26 4
„ 4—18 by 13 by 13 „	„	30 0
„ 5—20 by 15 by 15 „	„	34 8
„ 6—23 by 17 by 16 „	„	40 8

FLAT DEED BOXES.

No. 1—12 by 8 by 4 inches	Rs.	18 12
„ 2—14 by 10 by 5 „	„	21 0

PATENT PADLOCKS.

Inches.	Rs. a.	Inches.	Rs. a.
¾	7 12	2½	10 10
¾	6 14	3	10 14
1	6 14	3½	11 14
1¼	7 8	3½	13 2
1½	7 12	3½	16 4
1¾	8 5	4	18 12
2	9 0	The Queen's Padlock..	4 10
2½	10 4		

PATENT CUPBOARD LOCKS.

Inches.	Rs. a.	Inches.	Rs. a.
2	6 4	4	7 8
2½	6 8	4 by 2½	8 2
3	6 14	4 by 3	9 0
3½	6 14	4½ by 3	10 0

CHUBB'S PATENT DRAWER LOCKS.

1½ in.	Rs. 6 4	2½ „	Rs. 6 14
1¾ „	„ 6 4	2¾ „	„ 6 14
2 „	„ 6 8	3 „	„ 7 4
2¼ „	„ 6 8	3½ by 3 in.	„ 8 12
	4 by 3 in.	Rs. 9 6	

PATENT BOX OR CHEST LOCKS.

Inches	Rs. a.	Inches	Rs. a.
1½, 1¾, or 2 ..... each	6 14	3½	8 2
2¼ or 2½ ..... „	7 4	4	9 0
3	7 12	4½	9 10

PATENT PEDESTAL LOCKS.

2½ in.	Rs. 7 4	3 in.	Rs. 7 12
3¼ in.	Rs. 8 2		

* All Chubb's Goods are NETT CASH.

COOPER, MADON & CO., Ld.,
BOMBAY AND POONA.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES JUTE MILL COMPANY, Ld., CAWNPORE.
TO supply the public with a quality of FLOOR CLOTH of the strength and durability of Durries, and yet at as low a cost as they paid heretofore, for cotton floor cloth (called farash), this Company is now prepared to offer at the low rates varying from As. 4 to As. 6 per yard, heavy jute woven and printed FLOOR CLOTHS, width 2- and 10 inches, respectively, in a variety of patterns and colours.
Floor Cloths and Durries made up to any required size with neat broad borders to match pattern, much improving the look of the cloth.
Hall Carpets, 7 by 4½, of various neat bright patterns, at Re. 1 each.
Door Mats, 1 by 2½, of various neat bright coloured patterns, at As. 8 each.
The attention of District Officers is particularly called to the above Floor Cloth, which, if sewn together to fit any tent, would be at one-third of the cost of Durries.
For Patterns and further particulars apply to the MANAGING AGENTS.

THE *BOMBAY GAZETTE* POONA AGENCY.
FROM this date we have appointed Messrs. COOPER, MADON and Co. our Agents at Poona for the sale of
The *Bombay Gazette* Daily,
„ „ „ Overland Summary,
„ „ „ Weekly Budget,
„ „ „ Bi-weekly,
The Indian Travellers' Guide,
Maclean's Guide to Bombay,
and for all other publications issuing from this Office.
Apply at Messrs. COOPER, MADON and Co., Branch Establishment East-street, Poona.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

The scale for these Advertisements is as follows :—Not exceeding 3 lines Re. 1 ; each succeeding line, As. 8. No trade advertisements are admitted under the scale.

MAHABLESHWUR READY-LAID DAK.—Framjee Ardaseer, Mail Contractor, appointed Dak Supplier in ordinary to H. E. the Governor of Bombay, has always on hand at Civil Lines, Poona, comfortable DAK PHAETONS and TONGAS. Terms moderate.

MRS. MARTIN, late of Poona, practical Dress-maker and Milliner, 310, Grant-road, Bombay. Ladies, Dresses made up according to the prevailing modes.

RARE OPPORTUNITY.—We offer the General Public in our Fort Branch Stores, Provisions, Crockery, Plated ware, Millinery, Stationery at prices beyond competition.—SHROFF BROTHERS.

KEROSINE OIL.—150 Test Rs. 5 ; 120 Test or Devoes, Rs. 4-4, FOR SALE. Apply to M. M. MODY & Co., Limited.

VACANCY.—Wanted 2 competent European or Eurasian SALESMEN, for the Provision Stores. W. J. ESSAI, Fort.

WINES, Spirits and Ice-creams of the best quality, only to be had at the VIENNA CONFECTIONER, Church-gate-street.

ALBERT HOTEL, Parel-road, Byculla. Accommodation for Boarders, Billiard and Bagatelle Tables. In connection with Byculla Co-operative Stores.

JUST RECEIVED.—GOOD CHESTNUTS, never had before in Bombay. Price—annas four per seer. ABDOOL REHMAN ADAM, Stall No. 91, Crawford Market.

WANTED an experienced CORRESPONDENCE CLERK for a Mercantile Office. Apply with copies of testimonials to "G." care of this paper, stating lowest salary required.

HANGING and TABLE LAMPS, very richly decorated with Duplex and Multitubular burners. These burners burn with a splendid light, nearly equal to 50 candles. From Rs. 6 and upwards ; at STEWARD and Co., 2, Church-gate-street.

BOARD.—Two quiet respectable gentlemen can have a comfortable home, with every convenience (no restrictions), with a private family in central location in the Fort. Terms : Rs. 50 per month. Must be European and furnish references. All letters answered. Address "AMERICAN," this office.

TROUSERS STRETCHERS.—Fresh supply just to hand. Price Rs. 6 each—BADHAM, PILE, & Co., Ld.

MUSICAL CHAIRS.—Play the most exquisite music when sat upon.—CASH BAZAAR, Limited, Esplanade.

ROPES FOR SALE.—HARTON'S OILED COIR and MANILLA. Apply OWEN & OKELL, Apollo-street.

MRS. COULSON, MILLINER and DRESS-MAKER, Boree Bunder, Ladies' Own material made up. Charges moderate.

KIDD and SHADBOLT'S "SPADE BRAND" WHISKY, as used at the Clubs. Sole Importers, PHIPSON and Co.

ADELPHI HOTEL, BYCULLA, near the Byculla and Grant-road Railway Stations. Situated in a quiet locality. Large airy Rooms.

MATTERSON'S IRISH SAUSAGES, 11 as. per tin ; Gruyere Cheese, 14 as. per lb. ; Cheddar do., 13 as. per lb.—PEARSE, Apollo-street.

SPONGES.—HONEYCOMB (HAND AND BATH) and TURKISH SPONGES, finest quality and cheap
J. NEUBERG, Bombay.

SUPERIOR MANGALORE TILES.—Just received fresh Consignments of Flat and Ridge. Apply to GEO. GAHAGAN & Co., Agents, Mody Bay.

SECOND-CLASS ENGINEER WANTED for a Cotton Pressing Factory up-country. Salary, Rs. 120 to 150. Apply COMPANY, care of *Bombay Gazette* Office.

COLD WEATHER TWEED SUITS, all wool, thoroughly shrunk, Rs. 18 to 25. Ladies' Ulsters from Rs. 20 each.—John Mahomed and Co., 15 Meadow-street.

MACLEAN'S GUIDE to BOMBAY and BOMBAY DIRECTORY for 1886. Price, Rs. 5 ; with postage, Rs. 5-4. To be had at the *Bombay Gazette* Office.

BEST'S ETYMOLOGY, 5th Edition (8th Thousand) now ready, price Rs. 1-4, packing and postage As. 3. Apply to the Superintendent, Educational Society's Press, Byculla.

JUST RECEIVED. Scarlet and Blue Military Serge Volunteer Helmets. Try for sample.—Y. A. LACKA Jackeria musjid.

JUST UNPACKED, a large and entirely new batch for Xmas and New Year's Presents in Gold and Silver Jewellery and Indian Curiosities. Hurjimull and Co. Rampart Row.

£6,466,527-17-5 STG. is the amount of the Invested Funds of the Standard Life Office. Claims by death paid last year £319,974-10-10 Stg.

ROYAL LIFE BRANCH.—Large reduction in rates for Life Assurance from 1st January, 1886. This will also apply to present Policy-holders.—THOS. H. MOORE and Co., Agents.

MAIWAND COURTS-MARTIAL.—Proceedings held at Bombay for trial of MAJOR CURRIE and Col. MALCOLMSON, Annas 8 ; postage, 1 anna.

ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS.—Furniture coverings in Tapestry, Damask, Reps, Cretonnes, Chintz, &c.—JOHN ROBERTS & CO., General House Furnishers, 18, Marine-street.

HAIR CUTTING SALOON.—Francis and Fucile No. 38, Meadow-street, Bombay. Every requisite for toilet from the best markets in Europe. Saloons elegantly fitted up.

BOMBAY LIVERY STABLE COMPANY.—Orders registered at the Fort Office, 17, Elphinstone Circle, for all sorts of conveyances, and particulars given of Horses and Ponies for sale.

TUESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1886, Grand evening Concert in the Town Hall under the patronage of His Excellency Lord Reay, in aid of Funds of THE SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE. Particulars hereafter. Reserved Seats, Rs. 3, may be obtained at Messrs. Soundy & Co.

BOMBAY GAZETTE BUDGET, published every Tuesday, specially prepared for Indian subscribers, with 8 pages Supplement of English news, in addition to 24 pages of Indian matter. Rates, Rs. 12 per year for Indian subscribers, post free ; and Rs. 17, including postage, for the United Kingdom.

PEARSE'S RESTAURANT.—Breakfasts, Tiffins, Dinners, Hot Joints from 1 till 3 p. m. Monthly Boarders taken.

THE BOMBAY BRICK AND TILE FACTORY, Ld. (IN LIQUIDATION).
OFFERS are invited either for purchasing or for taking on lease and working all the Company's Plant, Stores, Land, Buildings, &c., situated at Taluka, Callian, in the Collectorate of Thana. The land, by admeasurement, is 33 acres, is beautifully situated by the side of Callian Creek and affords safe and speedy means of despatch of bricks to Bombay, both by sea as well as by rail. There is a pucca built Brick Kiln on Bulls Patent principles, while fine clay is obtainable on the ground in any quantity. Bricks made by the Company have been approved and used by Government Engineers, Contractors, and Builders, &c. Further particulars on application either to Messrs. Chalk and Walker, the Company's Solicitors, Church-gate-street, Bombay, or to the undersigned.
SORABJEE EDULJEE WARDEN,
Sole liquidator.
32, Meadow-street, Fort, Bombay, 26th January 1886.

THE BOMBAY BRICK AND TILE FACTORY, LIMITED, (IN LIQUIDATION).
BULL'S PATENT KILNS FOR BURNING BRICKS AND TILES.
THE above Company is in possession of absolute rights, for a radius of 50 miles from Bombay, over all the inventions, known as BULL'S PATENT KILNS, and the undersigned is prepared to receive offers, either for purchase of the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the kilns, or on royalty per thousand.
Bull's Patent Kilns are in successful work under the Public works Department, in Cawnpore, Allahabad, &c., in which places only Government have the monopoly of it.
By the use of these Kilns, not only considerable saving is effected in burning Bricks, but the op rations are very quick, and capable of giving great results.
N.B.—Any person or persons using the kilns without the consent or permission of the undersigned, will be dealt with according to law.
SORABJEE EDULJEE WARDEN,
Sole Liquidator.
32, Meadow-street, Fort, Bombay, 26th January, 1886.

NEW LAND THE REVENUE POLICY OF THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT :
TAXATION OF SUBSOIL WATER
AT THE
FORTHCOMING REVISION SETTLEMENTS
IN GUJARAT,
BEING
A REPRINT OF ARTICLES AND LETTERS
CHIEFLY FROM THE *BOMBAY GAZETTE*,
WITH
An Appendix containing the Resolutions of the Bombay Government, dated the 26th March and 25th July, 1884, respectively.
Price, 1 Re. ; postage, 1 Anna.
Bombay Gazette Office, Rampart-row.

SALES BY AUCTION.

JOHN AND COMPANY.
No. 8, APOLLO-STREET.
THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 3rd instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. JOHN & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their auction rooms, the valuable blackwood and teakwood furniture, plated ware, crockery and glassware, hanging wall, and table lamps, writing tables, book cases, cushion chairs, show cases, sofas, looking glasses, gilt frame picture, flower vases fancy albums, watch stands, silken handkerchiefs, umbrellas, toys, and other miscellaneous articles.
JOHN & CO.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1886.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.
No. 4, FORBES & MEADOWS-STREETS.
SALE of valuable and handsome Household Furniture ; Rare Plants ; China Matting ; Carriage and Horse, &c.
Under instructions from C. A. Turner Esq. Official Assignee H. C. and Assignee for the estate and effects of William James Ross (an Insolvent) lately a works Foreman, in the employ of Messrs Richardson and Cruddas. The undersigned will sell by Public Auction, at No 9 bit-Road, Byculla ; THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 3rd Feb. 1886, at 2 p.m., the same consisting of :—Three lights chandeliers, wall brackets with ornaments, teak-screens with glass panels, book-racks, pictures, bench, gram-box, China matting, rich garden rare plants in pots and tubs, &c.
Also by order of the receiver appointed by the High Court of Bombay in suit No 1 of 1886 wherein Loomba Lukhma and other plaintiffs W J Ross defendant, the same co prising of circular, oval, pier and dining tables, drawing room sofas, chairs, rocking, reclining, blackwood ladies and cane chairs, whatnots, sideboard, hatstand, lamps, pictures, book stands, cupboards chest of drawers, almyra with mirror, English iron bedstead with bedding, marble topped toilet tables with fittings, writing desk, carpet, cooking utensils, meat-safe, &c.
AT 3-30 P.M.
One Madras built victoria with removable coach-box and one serviceable from grey Arab horse and set of harness.

SALE of Unserviceable and surplus Stores &c., &c.
Under instructions from E. C. K. Ollivant, Esq. C. S. Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the Municipal Workshops' Compound, Boree Bunder, on MONDAY, the 8th inst., at 1-30 p.m., the following :—
Cocks spindles, C. I., sluices, ferrules, screw spanners, gardon tools and pumps, leather hose, tools harness, iron tyres, cast and wrought iron pickaxes, powras, files, empty boxes, casks, cans and drums, bolts, nails, iron chains, belting leather, gauge glasses, ring and washers, iron T. and angle pieces, locks, wire, kerosine and street lamps, iron tree guards, iron tanks, old iron, old mutton benches, C. I. urinals, baskets, buckets, rammers, yokes, pins, chairs, tables, &c., &c.
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1886.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.
TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 4th instant, MESSRS. MENESSE & Co. will hold their usual Weekly Auction Sale at their rooms, of a quantity of grey and colored piece-goods, twist, &c.—
6 bales brown papers.
10 cases french pot papers.
1 case white and colored shirts.
3 „ white and colored handkerchiefs.
1 „ stripe pilot cloth.
4 „ lady's cloth colored.
10 „ turkey red cambrics.
2 „ white dorias.
1 „ colored shawls.
3 „ colored prints.
MENESSE & CO.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1886.

BENNETT AND COMPANY
No. 5, APOLLO-STREET.
AUCTION SALE of Price & Co.'s Celebrated Perfumery.
ON SATURDAY, the 6th instant, at 2-30 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, at "Daly Nett Hall," Mount Blanc Cumballa, opposite the Cumballa, Family Hotel, the valuable and handsome blackwood teakwood French-polished plain and carved household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome China and Japanese flower vases, rich table ornaments, firstrate oleographs and pictures in gilt frame, a hand-some strong English built victoria by Haffer and Co., a pair of handsome iron-grey carriage horses, sets of single and and double harness, a collection of choice and rare plants in tubs and pots, &c., the property of Deputy Surgeon General L. S. Bruce.
Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before the sale.
BENNETT & CO.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1886.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY.
7, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.
SALE OF FIRST AND SECOND CLASS TEAK SQUARES.
THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 3rd instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction at Tank Bunder, by order of Mr. Jainaram Sitaram—
200 Superior first and second class teak squares.
In small lots to suit purchasers.

On SATURDAY, the 6th instant, at 1 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Green Street, Fort, opposite the New Bombay Bank, the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood, teakwood and inlaid satin wood household furniture, plated and cut glassware, handsome dinner sets, pier glasses in gilt frames, handsome oleographs and flower-vases, table and hanging lamps, Brussels carpets, &c.
Full particulars will appear hereafter and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

SALE OF SUPERIOR FANCY WOOLLEN CLOTH.
ON SATURDAY, the 6th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, 4 cases superior fancy woollen cloth for coats, trousers and suits, just landed ex s.s Loodiana, consisting of Drab, olive, brown, overcoating, Scotch milled coating, fancy check and senting, olive cords, Scotch check homespun, black indigo blue nap, west wooded indigo blue serge, indigo, drab, slate mix green mixture, twill, overcoating black, olive, fine overcoating brown claret green twill, black claret, overcoating blue mosrow Scotch, stuped, mix stuffed worsted fancy, olive, brown, drab beaver, &c.
The pieces which are from 7 to 10 yards in length will be sold singly (one piece at a time) to suit all buyers, and are on view.

SALE OF SUPERIOR 1ST & 2ND CLASS TEAK-SQUARES AND SCANTLINGS.
Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 6th instant, at 4 p. m., at Kasara bunder.
50 tons 1st class teak squares.
75 „ 2nd „ „
50 „ superior scantlings of various sizes.
In lots to suit purchasers.

On SATURDAY, the 27th February, sale commencing at 1 p m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at "Minnie Lodge" Middle Colaba, near the Parsee Sanitarium the valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood carved and plain household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a handsome light strong built victoria, a powerful grey horse, handsome China and Japanese flower vases, rich table ornaments, firstrate pictures, handsome marble and alabaster vases and figures, reading books, a collection of choice plants in tubs and pots, &c., the property of H. Read, Esq.
Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.
CRAWFORD & Co.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1886.

NOTICES.

PARLI HILL, near Bandora a few Building allotments beautifully situated WILL BE SOLD for cash or monthly payments upon Building Society terms or let on lease with option of purchase, advances made for Building if desired. Apply on the Estate, or to Messrs. CHALK & WALKER, Solicitors, Bombay.

TO LET with immediate possession, a very desirable commodious upper-storied BUNGALOW at Parell. It has a very charming garden. Rent moderate. For further particulars apply to
P. BYRAMJEE,
2, Hornby-row, Fort. House Agent.

CAINEVILLE DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, MUSSOORIE.
WILL RE-OPEN on the 3rd of March, 1886, with a highly efficient Staff of teachers. Some alterations have been made in the terms and course of study.
For prospectuses apply to
MRS. CLARKE,
Head Mistress,
Caineville, Mussoorie.

FERNANDES & Co.
FAMILY CHEMISTS, AND DRUGGISTS, &c.
Members of the British Pharmaceutical Conference of London.
25, Meadow-street, Fort, Bombay.

PHARMACY AND DISPENSING.
THIS Department of the Company's business is under the special care of our Mr. FERNANDES of great experience. The dispensing of prescriptions and preparation of medicines are carried on under his immediate supervision. Price very moderate.
FERNANDES & Co.,
Chemists, Bombay.

INDIAN GUARANTEE AND SURETYSHIP ASSOCIATION, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of 15 per cent. for the year ending 31st December, 1885, will be paid to Registered Shareholders on and after WEDNESDAY, the 10th proximo, at the Offices No. 9, Elphinstone Circle.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. McLAUCHLAN SLATER, F. I. A.,
Bombay, 30th January, 1886. Secretary.

P. RATANJI, 10, Forbes-street, Bombay, has on sale large self-playing Organs for Halls, Saloons, &c. They serve the purpose of a band of music, play very melodious and well selected airs, and have a loud sound.
Price : Small with 4 rollers ..... Rs. 5,500
Large do. 6 do. ..... „ 8,000
Also MUSICAL BOXES for Rs. 25 to Rs. 500

NOTICE.
A BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT for first-class people only will be OPENED from the 1st of February, 1886, at Fernwood, Coonoor, Neilgherries, where visitors will find all the comforts of an English home, as far as the country permits. For terms, &c., &c. address
THE PROPRIETRESS,
Fernwood, Coonoor, Neilgherries.

ORIENTAL LOAN ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.
ADVANCES made on approved Personal Security at moderate interest, repayable by convenient instalments in connection with Policies in the Oriental Life Office.
Fixed Deposits received to a Limited extent on the following terms :—

6	per cent per annum subject to	18 months	notice of withdrawal.
5½		12 „	
5		9 „	
3½		6 „	

For Prospectuses, Proposal Forms, and further particulars, apply to
D. McLAUCHLAN SLATER, F.I.A.,
Managing Director.
9, Elphinstone Circle.

ORIENTAL LIFE COMPANY.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company in Elphinstone Circle, on SATURDAY, the 13th February, 1886, at 2 p. m.
(1) To receive Directors' and Auditors' Reports for the year ending 31st December 1885.
(2) To elect Directors and Auditors.
(3) To declare a Dividend.
(4) To transact any other business which may be brought before the meeting by the Chairman.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
D McLAUCHLAN SLATER, F.I.A.,
Manager and Actuary.
9, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 21st January, 1886.

GOLD MEDAL TEA.
TRADE MARK K T E IN A TRIANGLE.
THE K T E TEAS, grown at an elevation of nearly 7,000 feet, reputed for their exquisite delicacy of flavour and aroma for which they have been awarded eight prizes, seven diplomas, and one first class certificate, are to be had from us in 1 lb. packets, and we respectfully solicit a trial from all who like a good cup of tea.
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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Band, Bombay V. R., Esplanade, to-day, 5-45 p.m.
Band, H. E. the Governor's, Ladies' Gymkhana, 4-30 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre, "Kiss in the Dark," and "David Garrick," 9 p.m.
Bombay Gymkhana, half-yearly meeting, 6 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday :—Saint Anaph (s), from London ; and Africa (s), Lisbon.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—Gelert (s), for Moulmein ; and Tilania (s), Trieste.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s.s. Venetia left the dock yesterday.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—Half yearly General meeting at 6 P.M.

WE are requested by the Sheriff to intimate that gentlemen of the Special Jury are required to attend at the High Court this morning at 10 o'clock.

ARRIVAL OF A NATIVE CHIEF.—His Highness the Nawab Saheb of Janjeera, accompanied by forty-two armed followers, arrived here on Monday by the coasting Steamer Savitre.

BOMBAY NATIVE DISPENSARY.—At the head branch of this dispensary during the past month the daily average attendance was 196·55, the admissions 1827 ; prevailing diseases, fevers 400, and bowel complaints 339.

SENT TO HOSPITAL.—Robert Fairbairn, a European aged about 68 years, was found on Monday evening lying in Hummum street, Fort, suffering from epilepsy, and was removed by the police to the European General Hospital.

LOST PROPERTY.—Merwanjee Cowasjee, residing at Thakoordwar, has reported to the Police that his sister-in-law lost, on the 26th January, either in the Railway train from Dadur or on her way from Churney Road Station, a gold neck chain valued at Rs. 75.

SUNKERSETT CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total attendance of patients treated in this dispensary during the last month was 1,640 ; of these 501 were new admissions, consisting of 238 Hindoos, 211 Musalmans, 36 Parsees, 15 Christians, and 1 of an other caste. The average daily attendance was 52·90.

FRAUDULENT POSSESSION OF PROPERTY.—Hanmanta Krishna, *alias* Rama Fowlia, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of having in his possession thirty gold beads and a tola of gold valued at Rs. 30, reasonably suspected to have been stolen. He admitted three previous convictions, and was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

A CHARGE OF ASSAULT.—Yesterday at the Fort Police Court, Mr. Ardeseer C. Dadabhoy Wadia, Weaving Master of the Colaba Land and Mill Company, appeared before Mr. C. P. Cooper and applied for a summons against Mr. Frederick Farlow, the Engineer of the Mill, charging him with committing an assault upon him on the 30th ultimo. His Worship granted the application and made the summons returnable on the 5th instant.

THE BARODA DEFAMATION CASE.—When this case, in which one Anundrao Raghoba, the chief clerk in the Political Department Secretariat, Baroda, is charged with defaming one Hurry Narayen, a translator in the Baroda Durbar, was called on at the Fort police court yesterday, the complainant said as the accused retracted the defamatory matter he did not wish to lead evidence against him. His worship said he was glad to see the parties had arranged the affair and struck out the case.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE.—The following programme of music will be played by the band of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles at the Esplanade Bandstand to-day, at 5-45 p.m. :—

Overture	La Part du Diable	Auber.
Valse	The Micado	Bucalossi.
Selection	Vert Vert	Offenbach.
Gavotte	Heimleche Liebe	J. Rasch.
Quadrille	Lieder	H. Siewert.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MUSIC AT THE LADIES' GYMKHANA.—The following programme of music will be played by H. E. the Governor's band at the Ladies' Gymkhana to-day, at 4-30 p.m. :—

Quadrille	New Promenade	Coote.
Polonaise	Im Brautschmuck	Merzdarf.
Overture	French Comedy	Keler Bela.
Polka	Black and Tan	Caroline Lowthian.
Selection	Spanish National Melodies	Reile.
Valse	Golden Myrkes	Fahrbach.
Selection	Il Trovatore	Verdi.
Valse	The Cloister	Prout.
Galop	Pleine Carrier	Bohm.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

THEFT ON BOARDSHIP.—Mrs. Pemberton, a passenger by the English Mail Steamer Clyde, forgetfully left a small leathern hand-bag containing a ladies open-faced gold watch, and a gold Albert Chain, valued at Rs. 250, on board that vessel on Sunday night last. The empty hand bag was found by the head waiter on the saloon table sometime after the passengers had landed and was made over to the chief steward, who on receipt of a note from Mrs. Pemberton, residing at Watson's Hotel, made it over to that lady. The police made enquires on board the Clyde but no trace of the missing property could be found.

CAPTURE OF A RUNAWAY DACOIT.—We are glad to learn that Mr. Surrotam Sideram, the Chief Constable of Haveli, has succeeded in arresting the runaway dacoit, Sopana Koli, of Mouze Sakurdi, at Jalna, in the Nizam's territory. This man was one of the ring-leaders of the gang of dacoits headed by the late Wasudev Balwant Phadke, and was also a member of the gang led by Tantia Mukajee Ramushi. He is at present in police custody, at Jalna. An application for his rendition has been made to the District Magistrate. He will be tried on charges of dacoity and murder. A reward of five hundred rupees was sanctioned by Government for his arrest.—*Deccan Herald.*

HOUSEBREAKING AND THEFT.—Abdool Hoosain Tyebali, a Mahomedan lad about 18 years of age, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, upon three separate charges of housebreaking and theft of property consisting of sundry articles of wearing apparel, a purse, currency notes and cash, of the collective value of Rs 41-8-0, the property of Moola Ebrahimjee Ismaljee and two other Mahomedans. He was but recently out of jail, and was arrested a few days ago while endeavouring to escape from a house in Narayen Dobbao Street after committing theft of a purse containing a few annas and a skull cap. Upon enquires instituted by the police, other stolen property was found in his possession. The accused pleaded guilty to the three charges and was sentenced to an accumulated term of twelve months' rigorous imprisonment.

SECRETLY DISPOSING OF A DEAD BODY.—The case in which Jumnabai, a bania woman, was charged with concealing the birth of a male child and secretly disposing of the dead body, and abetting the offence was concluded before Mr. Cooper at the Fort Police Court yesterday. Mr. Little appeared for Government and Mr. Macfarlane for the accused. After Mr. Macfarlane addressed the court, Mr. Cooper said that the question was whether the accused abetted the offence. Bearing in mind the facts deposed to by the witness, he had no doubt that the accused almost up to the moment of the birth of the deceased, had concealed from her friends that she was *enciente*. From the evidence of Radabhai his worship said he had to come to the conclusion that the accused knew that the body was about to be removed for the purpose of concealment and she took no steps to prevent it. On these grounds he found her guilty of abetment, and though making allowance for the position in which she was placed, it was necessary to sentence her. He was willing to pass as lenient a sentence as he could, which was six months simple imprisonment.

THE AFFRAY AT COLABA.

THE case in which Gunner Boland was charged with committing culpable homicide not amounting to murder by causing the death of Thomas Cassidy, was concluded before Mr. Cooper yesterday. Mr. Little appeared for Government.

After examining another witness, Mr. Cooper said as it appeared from the evidence that Cassidy met with his death a short time after he was struck by accused, he must send the case before a jury.

After the charge was read to him, Boland said I wish to make a statement.

On the 25th December, I had dinner at the usual hour. After dinner I was sitting along with comrades in the back verandah having refreshments. We stopped talking and smoking together for some time. I do not know the exact hour that I separated from the other men. But I was in my own room at the time when I heard some loud shouting going on. I went out in the front verandah, and I saw one dog pursuing another. The dogs fought about twenty yards from the East Yorkshire Sergeants' Mess. I was walking on the front verandah at the time smoking. I was walking in the northern direction of the verandah when the deceased, gunner Cassidy, came on to the verandah. He accosted me and said "that is the way to worry one of your dogs." I told him I had no interest in the dogs, as I knew neither of them. Cassidy commenced to abuse me in ge[ne]ral obscene language. I told him to go away t[wo] three times, as I did not wish to have any [...] He walked after me, still using very bad lang[uage] In the end I told him I was going to my room it was Christmas Day, and it would be bad to [...] a disturbance. With that as I made a half [...] turn from the deceased, he made a blow and str[uck] me on the right side of my neck, saying he c[ould] take his part with either man or dog. Then, self defence, I struck him one blow, and I [...] know if that blow cut him or not. T[hen] I went to my room immediately after.

His worship committed the accused t[o] sions at present sitting.

VISIT TO THE BAI SAKARBAI DINSHAW PETIT HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS.

The President and members of the Executive Committee of the Bombay Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals visited the Bai Sakarbai Dinshaw Petit Hospital for Animals on Monday last. Among those present were the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bayley, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Scott, Messrs. Dinshaw Manekji Petit, Nutoorbhoy Morarji, Khemji Jewa, Nanabhoy B. Jeejeebhoy, Mooljibhoy Jouraj, Fullockchand Manokchand, Vulubdas Valji, Cursondas Valubdas and K. M. Shroff. Mrs. and Miss Scott also visited the institution, spending some time in the large Hall of the bungalow which is to be utilized during the next financial year as a Veterinary College, to be maintained by Government. The visitors went about the large compound and at first inspected the horse shed, containing thirty-eight stalls for horses. There were eight sick animals under treatment. The visitors greatly admired the cleanliness in the shed, and the drainage arrangement with automatic flushing tanks at each end of two rows of stalls was pronounced to be perfect. The horse shed is sufficiently ventilated. The party then proceeded to inspect the two bullock sheds in the neighbourhood. One shed contained sixty bullocks. The floor pavement and ventilation in these sheds were comfortable, and the drainage system was simple and admirable. Some of the visitors justly remarked on the spot that hundreds and thousands of human beings in Bombay had very wretched houses to live in, compared to the accommodation provided for animals in this hospital, and one of the members said he would not object to have his bed in one of the sheds, they were so airy and clean. The lady visitors were particularly struck with the way in which animals were kept there, and doubted whether there was any institution like it even at home. They also greatly admired the surrounding large grounds which were converted into gardens and which looked so fresh with verdure and luxuriant foliage. The Trustees of the Society then held a meeting to transact some business, and the members separated.

FIRST CRIMINAL SESSIONS.—FEB. 2.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

The first Criminal Sessions of the High Court opened to-day ; and the following cases were heard before his lordship and a common jury.

HOUSE-BREAKING AND THEFT.

Hurry Sackoojee, a middle-aged Hindoo, was charged with house-breaking and with theft of several articles of wearing apparel, the property of Rama Baboo. The complainant is a *mukee* in the employ of Mr. Justice Birdwood, and lived in an outhouse in the compound of the bungalow lately occupied by Mr. Fulton. At 8 o'clock on the morning of the 15th December last, the stolen property, consisting of a turban, a coat, a jacket, &c., was safe in a box, which was fastened with a padlock. Having fastened the door of his room with a padlock, the complainant went out on business. On his return home after an hour, he found one of the doors open and the clothes lying scattered about. He laid hold of the prisoner, who was standing by the box, and raised an alarm for assistance. Prisoner gave complainant a blow in the chest and escaped. He was pursued, but ran a considerable distance and then entered the compound of the bungalow of Mr. C. B. Prumler, Vice-Consul for Austria, who arrested him and gave him into police custody.

The jury convicted the prisoner on both charges. He admitted a previous conviction on a similar charge in 1883. His lordship, in passing sentence, told him he had been convicted by the magistrates no less than five times of thefts and offences in connection therewith. On one occasion he was sentenced to a year's imprisonment ; and on another occasion to three years' imprisonment ; and on a third occasion to two years, but apparently without making any effect upon him. He committed the present offence in two months after his release from jail ; and he was liable to transportation for life. He was now sentenced to transportation for seven years.

THEFT OF A SILVER DISH.

Goolabdas Jumnadas, a Gujerati Hindoo, was charged with stealing on the 28th December last a silver dish, the property of Vuliubhdas Purshotum, who used it for the purposes of worship, and with dishonestly receiving it. The complainant, a dealer in lace, lived at Bhooleshwur on the fourth floor of a house, where a sister of the accused also resided. On the evening of the 25th December last, complainant missed a silver dish weighing about eight tolas, which was placed with other articles on a shelf in a wall of the house. On the following day, a policeman brought to complainant the prisoner in his custody, and the latter made a statement and took him to the shop of a goldsmith in Khetwady, where, however, the dish was not produced. The evidence showed that the prisoner had in his possession some silver toe-rings, which he attempted to pledge privately through a Parsee. Before that, towards the end of December, prisoner took to a goldsmith, having a shop in Falkland Road, what looked a silver dish or cup, battered in. He said it was eight and a half tolas in weight. At the prisoner's request, the goldsmith made two toe-rings of the battered article ; and those toe-rings were the same that the prisoner had attempted to pledge.

The jury found the prisoner guilty. It appeared he had been sentenced to jail by Mr. Druitt at Surat in 1879. His lordship, in passing sentence, told the prisoner he had been found guilty of a very impudent theft. He had been convicted three times, and in 1870 he was sentenced by Mr. Druitt at Surat to seven years' transportation. For the present offence—the former transportation having had no effect upon him—he was sentenced to transportation for fourteen years.

CAUSING HURT BY A CORROSIVE SUBSTANCE.

Dhakoo Vittoo was charged with having, on the 15th December last, unlawfully caused grievous hurt to Abai, woman, and with having caused her grievous hurt by means of a corrosive substance. She had been living with prisoner as his mistress for about ten years at Oomercarry. About three months ago prisoner went to live in another place, but used to visit Abai almost daily at the old place with a view to try and persuade her to go and live with him in the new place, which she refused to do in consequence of the ill-treatment she had received from him. About midnight on the 15th she was sleeping on a box belonging to the landlord, she saw a light. On opening her eyes, she saw the prisoner standing by. He struck a match and poured into her eyes and face some fluid. She felt a burning sensation, and when she attempted to seize the prisoner who, however, escaped.

The prisoner cross-examined Abai woman.—Did I pick you up in the street, starved by famine, to kill you afterwards ?

Abai.—I don't know with what object you picked me up, but it was I who supported you.

Prisoner.—Were you not turned hopeless out of the hospital, and did I not nurse you and make you well ?

Abai.—Far from that, I fed you when you returned from jail after seven months' imprisonment.

Prisoner.—You became a friend with another man living at the chawl and got up this charge against me ?

Abai.—Why should I take another friend ? You were in the land of the living and not dead.

Dr. Maconachie, Ophthalmic Surgeon, Sir Jamsetjee Hospital, said the complainant was under his treatment for a month. The result of the treatment had been to have an extensive scar all over her face where the corrosive liquid spread. The liquid was, witness believed, the juice of a marking nut called "pipia," which was sold in the bazaar and used by *vyads* (native doctors.)

The jury convicted the prisoner, who said that he was not aware of any corrosive substance.

His Lordship, in passing sentence, said.—Dhakoo Vittoo you have been convicted on very clear evidence of a most brutal assault upon this unfortunate woman ; and the law considers such offences of causing injury by corrosive substances as of so heinous a character that the maximum punishment is transportation for life. The assaulting of women among the lower class of people in this country, either by nose-cutting or any other manner, is of too common occurence ; and as a punishment to you and a warning to others, the sentence of the court is that you be kept to rigorous imprisonment for six years.

The court then adjourned.

DIVINE SERVICE.

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THE FOREST COMMISSION.

ALLEGED CORRUPTION.

RAO SAHEB NARAYAN WASUDEO KUNTE, Brahmin, age fifty-one, Mamlatdar of Shahapur, gave the following evidence before the Forest Commission at Kalyan :—The present taluka of Shahapur was formed in 1866. There are 282 villages in all in the taluka. Of these 185 villages formerly belonged to Kolwan, 78 to Murbad, and 13 to Bhiwandi. Kolwan was settled in 1864-65 ; Murbad in 1659-60 and Bhivandi in 1860-61. About 4 to 6 acres of warkas is required according to the quality of the rice land to every acre of rice, to supply the rab materials. When the rice land is inferior the seed bed is required to be proportionately larger, as more seedlings are required. The inhabitants of hilly tracts require also more land for cultivation of hill-grain, which is their staple food. In the villages towards the ghats, the proportion of warkas should, I think, be 6 to 1 acre of rice ; about Khardi and Atgaon, 6 or 7 acres of warkas to one of rice will be enough and in the villages adjoining Wasind four acres of warkas to one of rice will suffice. In order No. 98, dated 6th March, 1874, the Collector directed that lopping for tahal in addition to that allowed in gurcharan should be allowed in village forests, but the seventeen kinds of trees therein specified and the fruit trees were not to be touched. Where the forests were not demarcated, the Collector was to decide what forest was to be thrown open for lopping. Government forests are not to be allowed to be lopped. Several orders allowing lopping in protected forests subject to certain restrictions were issued between 1874 and 1883. Thakurs cultivate to a large extent. Warlis and Kolis also cultivate, but to a small extent. A few of the wild tribes hold lands ; but others cultivate small bits of warkas outside the Imperial forests. At the last jamabandi it was ascertained that about 1,000 persons belonging to these wild tribes cultivated without permission about 2,000 acres of waste land. The wild tribes generally find employment for three months in field work, but near railway stations and other centres of trade they find employment for about six months. At other times they either cultivate or fetch forest produce for sale. This privilege is abused by the wild tribes selling fuel to traders for export to Bombay. They also cut wood in the jungle and remove it as dead wood. The evil had increased enormously this year, till the matter was brought to the notice of the Collector, and this has temporarily checked it. The wild tribes are strictly prohibited from selling wood for trade ; but I think in one or two instances the District Forest Officer permitted the traders to buy wood of the wild tribes. I am of opinion that the wild tribes should not sell to traders. I would recommend a heavy prohibitive duty on all wood exported from the taluka, which is not covered by passes. I think these people should also be given lands for cultivation on annual leases. If the lands are given permanently, they will be transferred to the creditors. The rights cannot strictly be conserved if the Thakurs, &c., are allowed to remain in the middle of the jungle. It will be better in such cases to give them suitable and convenient land elsewhere. But it would be difficult to persuade them to move, even though suitable provision is made for them. From information collected during my tours I am led to believe that the forest officials of the taluka oppress the people and are corrupt. I have heard that the people give to the round guards and beat guards with whom they come in contact, nagli, wari, bhat, oodid, &c., and occasionally money. I believe it to be true. There was no regular complaint made to me about this state of things. The people do not complain for the fear of having to undergo additional oppression. The people don't understand that the conviction of one forest guard will have wholesome effect on his successor. When I visited Kasara this month an instance of impressed labour came to my knowledge. The forest guard in charge of that beat had compelled the whole village to collect a certain quantity of dhavda leaves for a very low rate. As the villagers refused, I interfered. The forest guard produced an order from his superior which fixed one pie per pound as the rate of wages which were to be paid. There were about thirty persons employed for two or three days in collecting these leaves and they earned Re. 1 for their work. I then heard also that, when dhavda leaves were collected before, nothing was paid to the villagers for their trouble. I am of opinion that it would encourage the cultivators to improve the tree growth if occupancy lands if some such regulations as the following were adopted with regard to them :—1. The proprietorship of all trees in occupied numbers, including teak, blackwood, tiwas, and timber of every description should be transferred to the occupants. The occupants should be induced to preserve the reserved trees in a fair condition ; they should have the right to all after-growth. In any case the standing timber were sold to an outsider, he should be required to cut and remove the trees within a reasonable time and then all interference either on behalf of Government or the outsider should cease with regard to after-shoots. 3. The reserved trees in occupied numbers should be valued and they should be offered to the occupants in the first instance at 3/4ths of the value. 4. The occupants should be at full liberty to cut whensoever and whatsoever they want for their own use, and also for the use of their tenants ; but they should be strictly forbidden from selling without permission. Such permission should only be granted when there is a surplus stock of wood over and above what is necessary for the occupants' ordinary use. To induce the ryots to buy it might be desirable to recover the value by instalments. If this is done I am of opinion that most of the occupants will buy the reserved trees in their lands and there won't be any necessity for Government to clear at all. If the right to reserved trees were disposed of and if small bits of warkas which should have been included in survey numbers, but which have been left unmeasured at the time of the survey, were given to the people I think the occupants of land in forest villages of Kolwan will not have to resort for wood for the purpose of agricutural and domestic use. When I said above that four to six acres of warkas will be required for one acre of rice, I presumed that reserved trees were not to be lopped ; if these trees were however allowed to be lopped, a less area of warkas will suffice.

Rao Saheb Ganpat Malhar Bokad, of the Mahadeo caste, Koli, age forty-five, Police Inspector, Satara, said :—I am well acquainted with the Ghat district of Thana, from my ordinary duties, and the population thereof. I have some influence with the hill kolis as head of the Got or clan of Mahadeo kolis. About the end of 1884, it came to my hearing that the Mahadeo kolis were considering whether they should not, study, return to cultivation, as the best means of drawing attention to their grievances in the matter of forest restrictions, and that evilly disposed people of other castes were instigating them to rise. I am unable to say from my own knowledge, but my head men had similar grievances and wished to use the kolis as instruments to get these grievances redressed. I then held meetings of the caste at several places viz., Shimashunker in Khed, Malegaon in Mawal, Wanjpe in Khed, Poor Vomeir, Sandgaon in Karjat. I persuaded the people to give up all idea of making a disturbance and to try and obtain redress in the legitimate manner by petitioning Government. At my meeting at Poor in Joonere a list of grievances and a petition was drawn up. There were present kolis from Poona, Nuggar and Thana. Altogether about 6,000 kolis assembled. This was on the 23rd and 24th April, 1885. This petition was sent to Government. Subsequently on the appointment of the Forest Commission a petition embodying the same grievances was sent to that body. In this petition the general grievances of the koli population are set forth, not only against forest restrictions, but against the oppression of kuikarnis, the police, the Arms Act, Civil Procedure and the Law of Limitation, the regidity of the revenue system, the want of schools, &c. As regards forests the complaint of the kolis is that too much occupied land is taken up. Another grievance is that they are prevented from taking agricultural and building timber &c., from the forests ; likewise birdas. They complain that the forest guards waylay them on the roads to the bazar and seize the birdas even if collected from occupied lands. The kolis want to be allowed to collect birdas from the forests and sell them as they did before the prohibition. Those who have no birdas in their own holdings may possibly steal them from Government forests. Another complaint is that they can't get firewood without bribing the guards, even if they take it from their occupied lands. Generally they do get it from the forests and say they have got it from occupied lands. They also complain that they are prevented from using the grazing lands without paying bribes to the guards. Although other matters are mentioned in the petition the principal grievance is against the forest regulations. In Thana the special grievances of the kolis are :—(1) Insufficiency of sindad land (2) In places insufficiency of land for tillage. (3) The restrictions on removal of fuel, that is to say, the prohibition of removing dead wood. (4) The prohibition against cuttiug wood for building huts and cattle-sheds and agricultural implements. (5) The reservation of mhowra flowers and fruit, apta and tmbhurni leaves. (6) The restrictions against cutting of bamboos. The kolis in Thana are allowed to collect headloads of dry wood for sale, like the Thakurs and others, but the supply of dry wood is not enough, and they are thus driven to manufacture dead wood and run the risk of being punished. The kolis have suffered also both above and below Ghats from the prohibition of Dhali cultivation. Dhalis should [be] again allowed, but in its place [...] given for cultivation with a [...]rial. Specially low rates of [...]aken from those who have [...] There should be no trees [...]ds ; but occupants should [...]ss cutting. They should [...] permission for their own [...]d, but should not be [...]ion. They should [...] fruits and flowers [...]le minor produce [...] The kolis do not [...] traders. They sell [...]nburni and apta [...]rs. In Balivre, in [...] of a koli occupan[t] [...]one of his occupied [...]t for one hundred [...]al. He did this [...]is land would be [...]d to a Talati of an [...] It was the Talati [...]eived him by telling him the land would be included in forest. The kolis hold land permanently like other cultivators. Much of the land has passed into the hands of money lenders. As a rule the latter are the Kulkarnis, who in their duel capacity of village accountants and sowkars have a powerful hold over the kolis. The kolis therefore can get no help from the Kulkarnis and are unable to bring their grievances forward. I dont think a single koli in the Poona District has as yet taken advantage of the Deccan Ryots Relief Act. I have heard from many people that in Thana, Poona, Nagar and Nassick regular subscriptions are got in the villages twice a year through the heads of the villages to bribe the forest guards to secure their connivance at their getting ordinary requirements in the forest produce. If more valuable timber is required something extra has to be given by the individual who wants it. The subscriptions are not confined to forest villages, I am talking of villages in the Ghat range inhabited by Kolis, Thakurs, Kunbis, Kathodis, etc., and not of coast villages or villages in the plain, except in the neighbourhood of Murbad. I have travelled from Khandalla to Trimbuk last year by the Ghats, and met thousands of kolis, and I gathered this information from them. From what I was told the subscription varied from 1 Re. to 10 Rs. biennially, according to the size of the village, either in cash or its equivalent in grain ; and that Thakurs, Kolis, Warlis, etc., generally pay in grain. Kathodis occasionally, but not often, pay the subscription. People do not complain because they think if they did it would lead to worse oppression on the part of the guard who might take the place of the one they might get punished and removed. I dont think the punishment of one guard acts as a deterrent to his successor. In Karjat, in Khandas, in 1867, one Khandu Dhabane, forest guard was prosecuted by two kolis under my advice, for exacting bribes, and was convicted and sentenced in respect of both cases to 3 years' rigorous imprisonment. The people afterwards blamed me for having thus been instrumental in drawing on them the enmity of the guards who succeeded Khandu Dhabane and thus increasing their troubles. As a matter of fact, I believe and am convinced from what I have been told that the people of Khandas have continued up to the present time to pay the same subscription to whatever guards have succeeded the one who was convicted of taking bribes. At the time of the case I have mentioned I was head constable in the Karjat Taluka.

BENGAL.

OFFENCE UNDER THE ARMS ACT.—Three Nepalese were charged the other day in a Calcutta police court, with having in their possession 150,000 percussion caps without a license. Two East Indians, named respectively Thomas Berth *alias* Smith, and William Dawson *alias* A. Martin, were charged with purchasing the caps and delivering them to unlicensed holders, and a native broker, named Jour Lall Addy, was charged with aiding and abetting in the offence. Mr. Millard, the officer specially appointed by Government to see to the working of the Arms Act, proved the case, and said the first three defendants were well supplied with money. They were purchasing large quantities of ammunition, and would probably have purchased them for arms too, had they not been caught. The magistrate adjourned the case, admitting all the defendants on bail of Rs, 300 each.

N.-W. PROVINCES.

ALLEGED ATTACK ON A RUNNER.—We are informed of a serious affair which occurred on Thursday last week. Between Dhurumpore and Subathoo the post is carried by a Paharee runner. It appears that on the above date the runner, when nearing Subathoo, was met by four European soldiers who attacked him, but who though badly hurt managed to get away from his assailants. In the conflict the runner, who is a strong muscular man, pelted the soldiers with heavy stones, with which he wounded two of them. He saved the mail, but was robbed of twenty-four rupees. The four soldiers have been identified, and are in guard pending an investigation.—*Simla Argus.*

INDIAN OFFICERS AND THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE.

THE following are the regulations regarding the employment of officers of the Indian army in the study of the Russian language :—

1. Officers of the Indian army leaving the Staff College on completion of the prescribed course, provided they have passed a satisfactory examination in the Russian language, may be permitted to proceed to Russia, starting within one month, for a course of study in that country. The period to be spent in Russia is limited to nine months.

2. At the expiration of that period they will be required to undergo in England an examination intended to test thorough proficiency, both literary and colloquial, in the Russian language, and every officer on passing such examination will receive a gratuity of £200. Whether successful in the examination or not, officers will be required to rejoin in India within two months from its conclusion. Officers undertaking the above course of study will not have the option of undergoing in England the "course with other arms" required by the Staff College regulations, but must defer it till after arrival in India.

3. On starting for Russia officers will be granted advances of pay to the same amount as on returning to India from furlough, recoverable by five equal monthly instalments after arrival in Russia, and for the period spent in study in Russia they will be allowed the equivalent of full Indian pay and allowances and half staff salary of substantive appointment ; for all other periods, from leaving the Staff College until arrival in India, they will draw English pay. Passage into India will be provided, after the final examination, as if they had returned to India at the conclusion of the Staff College course, and the whole period from date of quitting the Staff College on return of rejoining in India will count as "duty" both for promotion and pension, but not as service for furlough.

4. Actual fares for the journey from England to St. Petersburg or Moscow and back, exclusive of the Staff College course, and other expenses, will be refunded on the final examination being passed, but not otherwise.

5. Officers on furlough who have obtained a special recommendation from their Government, and have passed the preliminary examination, for which arrangements will be made in communication with the War Office), similar to that required at the Staff College, as stated in paragraph I., may also be permitted to visit Russia for nine months for the purpose of study, returning to India by the final examination, under the same conditions as regards final examination, reward, pay, and allowances while in Russia, advances of pay on starting, and repayment of fares to and from Russia. During the intervening periods they will draw English pay (counting the whole time as "duty" both for promotion and pension, but not as service for furlough), unless eligible under regulation for furlough, in which case they will, if they prefer it, be treated as on furlough and draw furlough pay. They will have no claim to free passage to India on passing the final examination, and unless permitted to revert to furlough, they will be required to rejoin in India within two months from the conclusion of the examination. No reversion to furlough involving absence from India for more than two years will in any case be admissible without the previously obtained assent of the Government under which an officer may be serving.

THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

THE following is a list in order of merit of gentleman cadets who passed the qualifying examination at the Royal Military College in December, 1885, for commissions in the cavalry and infantry :—

PASSED WITH "HONOURS."

	Marks.		Marks
H W Johnston	2,349	A L Bellamy	2,235
G C A Andrew	2,312	W B James	2,234
H de G Jebb	2,307	J C Gibbon	2,197
J Rose	2,284	E R Cureton	2,190
F G Beville	2,272	F G M Rowley	2,182
C R Elliot	2,269		

PASSED.

C Ashburnham	2,168	H R V Malt'and	1,865
R Fowler-Butler	2,146	H Smyth	1,857
W D G Jones	2,150	H P Hancox	1,856
W A Beeching	2,15	W A Holden	1,856
J G Rennie	2,139	A T Valling	1,854
T Vachell	2,125	Hon. A D Murray	1,847
C C Carr	2,124	C Carey	1,836
H C Edwards	2,123	J W Frever	1,831
R T Passingham	2,111	A S Arnold	1,829
G Sartorius	2,096	H M Halliday	1,826
A E Lascelles	2,093	B Strachey	1,824
W P Braithwaite	2,088	H L Warren	1,823
C J Brings	2,083	C D Sandford	1,817
N L Leslie	2,081	H W A Marson	1,79[illegible]
L F Green-Wilkinson	2,079	G T Widdicombe	1,797
C E Macfarlane	2,061	R G Gore	1,792
M B D Finch	2,059	H Bannatyne	1,791
A S Browne	2,059	J Shawe-Taylor	1,790
H C Ingoat	2,046	C W Gall	1,788
D A Rose	2,014	B R Robert	1,781
S W Hare	2,038	J H Lowry	1,779
F H Hotham	2,027	B K Hambury	1,778
W R Marshall	2,027	H G Carnegy	1,773
E W Wall	2,021	J R Ewing	1,772
B R Dietz	2,018	A MacIver Campbell	1,771
J F Forbes	2,017	G Caldecott	1,769
C H Renwick	2,017	R S Lamb	1,768
L W Y Campbell	2,016	Hon G Keppel	1,759
H E Dering	2,010	F A Kingston	1,756
S N Bevington	2,005	H W Wilberforce	1,753
H J E Purvis	2,005	W H Errington	1,748
F E Gleadow	2,003	A J Stephen	1,747
H L Henderson	2,000	E A E Stevenson	1,747
R Cosens	1,988	H A Lafone	1,736
A K Gillespie	1,988	H P Dundas	1,733
F H Domenichetti	1,987	W M Southey	1,732
E W H Somerset	1,976	E D G Richards	1,719
S H Pedley	1,974	S R Stevens	1,714
H G Levinge	1,971	A Spankie	1,708
H C Tytler	1,969	A Wallace-Dunlop	1,703
A Gerstenberg	1,965	W S Browne	1,703
R Leathbridge	1,949	Y B Champain	1,697
O G Godfrey-Faussett	1,942	J F Elkington	1,693
F Jollie	1,936	P E Yyvyan	1,688
S F Bingham	1,933	B C W Williams	1,686
A Mullaly	1,921	H A Luard	1,669
H Humfrey	1,919	R B Swinton	1,650
J Carter	1,919	W C Brady	1,633
B Fiennes	1,912	W H Wreford-Brown	1,623
R Hoare	1,911	H K MacGeorge	1,622
G P Campbell	1,903	Y G Smith	1,620
R Somerset	1,886	J W Whitle	1,618
C C East	1,885	F W Wodehouse	1,618
G H Nugent	1,881	G T Birch	1,596
R B M Blois	1,879	A S Kee	1,589
G M Baldwin	1,875	R W Morley	1,582
W R Festing	1,874	F T Middleton	1,577
J O'Hara	1,873	N E Chesney	1,562
H R Manton	1,872	C A G Close	1,558
J Bell	1,867	E C K Seymer	1,550
H A Maude	1,866		

PRESIDENT GREVY'S MESSAGE TO THE FRENCH CHAMBERS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, THURSDAY NIGHT.

IN the Senate this afternoon, M. Demole, Minister of Justice, read President Grevy's Message, M. De Freycinet communicating it to the Chamber of Deputies. The following is the text of this document :—

"In raising me for the second time to the Presidency of the Republic by a vote of her National Assembly France has bestowed upon me a fresh honour, the value of which I fully appreciate (*don je sens tout le prix*), and which, were it possible, increase my feelings of gratitude and of devotion. She perhaps meant to intimate that she was satisfied with my efforts to fulfil, in accordance with her wishes (*comme elle l'entend*), the high office she has conferred upon me. But above all, France intended to indicate what value she attaches to stability in the Government of the Republic, thus replying to those who ascribe to her their own desire for change. Instructed by a long and hard experience, she knows that the Republic which has retrieved her disasters is now more than ever her necessary Government, the only one capable of securing her repose, her strength, and her grandeur—the only one which can endure, because alone it is adapted to her democratic state, is the only one consistent with national Sovereignty. Within half a century she has beheld the Monarchy and the Empire twice crumbling to pieces in Revolutions, and when a fresh Restoration is offered her she knows that what is proposed to her is another Revolution, the most formidable of all, to culminate in one of those ephemeral Governments which she has already been subjected to, and overthrown. That is why France has bound herself to the Republic and requires stability in her Government. The Parliament will act up to her wishes (*s'inspirera de sa pensee*) by taking care in its turn to uphold that Ministerial stability which is so necessary to the sound management of public affairs, to the dignity of the Republican Government, to its credit, and to its consideration in the world. That stability which is so desirable depends on the constitution of a Government majority—the imperative need of the present hour. The formation of that majority is assured provided the friends of the Republic have a determined will (*savent le vouloir*). Let them concentrate in the ground which is common to them. That ground is broad enough and full enough to enable them to derive from it, by their union, all the satisfaction called for by the wants and wishes of the country. Since the treaties she has concluded with China, with Anam, and with Madagascar the French Republic is at peace with all nations. She has never ceased to be so with all the peoples of Europe and America, in the concert of whom France has resumed the place that belongs to her. I shall acquit her debt of gratitude to the land and see forces when I say that she is proud of them, and has followed them with a maternal and trustful eye in that campaign in the far East in which they have carried to so high a pitch that spirit of self-sacrifice, that gallantry, and those military qualities which are at once the pride of France and her security."

This Message was not calculated to raise enthusiasm, and it was listened to, both in the Chamber and Senates, amidst a rather discouraging silence. No applause interrupted the reading or greeted its conclusion.

THE PROPOSED ABOLITION OF THE IRISH VICEROYALTY.

The *Daily Telegraph* publishes a summary of opinions expressed by Home Rule members upon the question of abolishing the viceroyalty. Few of them believe it possible that the lord-lieutenancy is to be abolished forthwith. The majority accept the announcement as true, but are divided in opinion whether to regard it as an unmixed blessing or something to deplore, constituting

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 2.

WITH the exception of an advance of ⅛ in Consols to 100⅛, Reuter's Stock Exchange quotations from London of yesterday's date are without alteration.

In General Produce, the only change reported is in Linseed, which is 9d. lower for Calcutta, 1s. 6d. per quarter in Bombay quality.

Cotton in Liverpool yesterday closed quiet, with sales of 8,000 bales, including 600 Surats. Spot prices are given as unchanged, but Americans to arrive are quoted 1-32d. to 3-64d. lower. In New York, ready Mid-Uplands is still quoted at 9 3-16 cents, but futures come 8 points lower at 9·34 for May, 9·44 cents per lb. for June delivery. The receipts at the U. S. ports to date give the following comparisons :—

	1886.	1885.	1884.
Two days' receipts	19,000	11,000	20,000
Three days' do.	39,000	23,000	35,000
Total since 1st Sept	4,099,000	4,124,000	3,999,000

Dull as the public advices are, they are less depressing than the private telegrams now coming to hand, which report very few buyers of Surats on almost any terms. Reuter quotes business in Liverpool in fully good Dhollera with the good clause February-March shipment at 4¼d., and in fine Broach with the fully good clause March-April shipment at 4 11-16d. At to-day's rates here these figures would represent a loss of about ⅛d. per lb. Although on the Continent slightly more favourable terms are obtainable, there can be little doubt that simultaneous operations with a margin for profit are not at present practicable. The market here to-day we call dull with more sellers than buyers. Good Bhownuggers for May are said to have been done at Rs. 175, but at the close a shade lower could have been done, and we call the market Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy lower all round. Current quotations to-day are :—

	Good.	Fully Good.	Fine.
Bengals ready	157	161½	171
Do. delivery, Feb.	156	161	171
Omras, ready { Stapled	174		
Omras, ready {	169		
Broach, March			201
Dhollera, April-May	174 to 175	181	188

WHEAT for future delivery shows a slightly easier tendency, but for ready parcels sellers are very firm, and the deterioration in quality taking place from day to day is equivalent to a proportionate rise in prices. We quote new crop as follows :—

No. 1 Peasy	Rs. 3 14.
No. 1 Club Delhi	,, 3 11-3.
Red Ahmedabad	,, 3 10.

LINSEED is firm, and slightly dearer. For May we quote Rs. 6-1-6 to Rs. 6-2 ; ready, Rs. 6-11 per cwt.

FREIGHTS remain in about the same position as before. The s. s. Cairo is reported chartered for Dunkirk at 15s. and the s. s. Clan Maclean for U. K. or Continent at the same rate.

EXCHANGE for no very definite reason except, perhaps, the scarcity of bills has been decidedly weak to-day, and we call rates practically 1-16d. lower. The following are closing figures :—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 5 29-32d. per rupee
Do. Telegraphic	1s 5¾d. ,,
Do. Three months' sight	1s. 6d. ,,
Credits ,, ,, ,,	1s. 6 1-16d. ,,
Francs ,, ,, ,,	1·90½ to ¾ ,,

GOVERNMENT PAPER is suprisingly firm, considering the position of exchange. Fours are quoted at Rs. 97¾ ready, Rs. 97⅞ forward, and Fours-and-half at Rs. 100⅝.

SHARES are weak all round, and in Spinning and Weaving Companies we should say yesterday's advance has lost. Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mines are offering now at Rs. 15 without finding buyers, the speculators having apparently failed in getting the public to swallow the bait on the occasion.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Divi-dend.	Cash. Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	725
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	10 do.	321
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	557½
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	all	6 do.	130
Hong. and Shang. B. Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ do.	492
National Bank of India	37,332	250		5 pct.	110

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	200	1,200	1,200	--	970
Akola Press Co.	85	500	500	Rs. 50	455
Albert Ginning Co.	100	500	500	Rs. 45	420
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	220	1,100	1,100	Rs. 175	1,130
Breul's Dawnpore P. Co., Ld (small shares)	750	400	400	Rs. 20	285
Bellary	620	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	640
Breul's Dawnpore P. Co., Ld	500	200	20	Rs. 16	170
Bombay Cotton Press.	1,000	12	125	..	220
Colaba Press Co.	50	1,880	1,880	Rs. 600	780
Dhollera P. & G. Co.	5 0	300	300	12	165xd
East India Press Co.	700	1,000	1,000	Rs 10	1,280
Fort Press Co.	150	8,500	8,500	Rs. 150	2,625
French Press Co.	300	500	500	Rs. 45	625
Harvey & Sabapathy Co., Ld.	450	500	500	Rs. 25	501
Khamgaum Cotton Press Co.	240	500	500	Rs. 40	245
Manek Press Co.	1,000	250	250	Rs. 10	240
Mercantile Press	1,500	125	125	..	132½
Mofussil Co.	3,125	400	400	..	412½
New Berar Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,250	500	500	..	570
New Broach Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,400	100	500	..	3
New Indian Press	4,000	125	125	..	145
Prince of W. Press	600	500	100	Rs. 30	570
Sabapathy Press Co., Ld., (Bellary)	500	500	500	Rs. 75	450
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	75	Rs. 7	655
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	1,000	Rs 10	1,200
Sassoon Press Co.	300	500	500	2	515
Volkart Press Co.	450	1,000	1,000	Rs. 2	750

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock Ashdown & Co Ld.	1,000	200	200	10 p.c.	201
Badham, Pile & Co. Ld.	3,000	100	100	Rs. 18	142
Bapty Co., Ld.	2,625	200	165	Rs. 10	193
Barton & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	100	10 2-3p.c.	75
Do. New issue	500	100	37½	10 2-3p.c.	757
Bombay Land & Building Co., Ld.		500	100	6 p.c.	100
Bombay Flour Mill Co.	50	500	500	15 p.c.	700
Bombay Saw Mills	60	1,000	1,000	..	300
Bombay Ice Manufacturing Co., Limited	1,25	100	100	Rs. 6	105
Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,500	30	1,675
Do. (2nd issue)	1,000	62	375	60	870
Do. (3rd issue)	1,000	62	375	..	835
Bombay Fire Insurance Co.	600	1,000	1,000	25	930
Bombay Municipal Bonds	..	..	..	6 p.ct	101
Cash Bazaar	1,50	100	100	..	30
Cooper, Madon & Co., Ld.	3,00	100	100		115
Indian Guarantee Suretyship Association	5,000	100	10	Re. 25	11
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Limited	42,000	..	5	..	15
Kurrachee Ice Co., Ld.	500	500	300	35	321
Kurrachee Lighterage Company, Ld.	500	500	200	36 p. a.	330
Kemp & Co. Ld.	4,000	200	175	Rs. 261	330
Mechanic Building Co.	4,000	50	22	3½	40
Napier Hotel Co.	300	100	100	9 p.ct.	100
Napier Foundry and Mfg. Co.	1,500	100	100	..	100
Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company	5,000	200	50	5 & 7½	71 to 72
Oriental Loan Association	5,000	20	20		21
Pearse and Co., Ld.	1,00	100	100	8 p. a.	91
Port Canning Co.	6,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 16	31½
Prince of Wales Fire Insurance	25	8,000	1,000	Rs. 10	1,62
Phillips & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	60	Rs 18	78
Soundy & Co., Ld.	1,00	10	10	Rs. 8	8
Telephone Co., Ld.	19,20	25	25	Re 1	2½d
Thacker & Co., Ld.	2,00	50	50	Rs. 110	1,150
Thacker & Co., Ld.	1,50	100	100	Rs. 1	175
Western India Flour Mills	0,0	1'5	100	12 p.c.	128
M. M. Mody & Co.	2,000	200	200	0	205

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steam-ship Gelert 1,107 tons, Captain R Winter sailed yesterday, for Moulmein in ballast.

THE steam-ship Saint Asaph 1,284 tons, Captain C H Hossack, arrived in harbour yesterday from London 24th December via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers—Mr H Pindee and 10 deck passengers.

ARRIVAL OF A PORTUGUESE MAN-OF-WAR.

THE Portuguese Man-of-War, Africa, 1,500 tons, Captain Costa, arrived in harbour yesterday from Lisbon (13th Dec) calling at Mozambique and Goa. She brought 600 troops. The vessel will remain here only 3 days and will leave for Macao ; she had experienced fine weather throughout the trip.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessels.	Commander.	From.
2	Saint Asaph (s)	Hossack	London. Dec. 24.
	Africa (s)	Costa	Lisbon, Dec. 14.

DEPARTURES.

Feb.	Vessels.	Commander	Destination.
2	Gelert (s)	Winter	Moulmein.
	Titania (s)	Mahorcich	Trieste.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Clyde, for China &c.
,, Java, for Persian Gulf.
,, Cairo, for Dunkirk.

DAILY IMPORTS.—FEBRUARY. 2.

FROM GLASGOW.
Bellarena s—25 cases acid, Rogers and Co ; 100 cases acid, Heerjee Mooljee and Co ; 10 cases acid, Josub Gosman and Co ; 140 cases acid, E Mamedaily.
Clan Maclean s—10 bales printing paper, K Abdul Hussen ; 125 cases and 1 hogshead whisky, Dajee Dadabhoy.
Clan Graham s—50 cases whisky, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Clan Mackenzie s—4 casks whisky, Thomson and Taylor.
Persia s—2 hogsheads whisky, Green and Read.

FROM LIVERPOOL.
Clan Ogilvie s—12 cases copying presses, Hussanally Abdulally ; 65 cases stout, Jamsetjee Framjee.

FROM LONDON.
Sunbean s—25 bottles quick silver, Gopaljee Mooljee ; 8 casks ink, Dawoodbhoy Allybhoy ; 52 packages papers Misasheb ; 53 casks colours and 11 casks paint, T Farzoolabhoy Bengali ; 75 packages empty soda water bottles, Sorabjee Pallonjee ; 3 packages clocks, S M Tilak and Co ; 50 bottles quick silver, Hajee Adam Esmal and Co ; 8 packages ink, A H Allybhoy ; 115 cases matches, A Saikh Adamjee ; 100 cases ale, E Latham and Co.
Joseph Arbib s—10 cases color, Gopaljee Mooljee.
Cairo s—11 packages birdshot, M Noorbhoy.
Thames—22 packages oilmanstores, hams, bacon, cheese &c. C H B Forbes and Co.
Loodiana s—500 kegs red lead, Meiffre, Neveu and Co ; 1 hogshead whisky, Cutler, Palmer.
Huzara s—5 cases paper, S A S Dawood.
Henzada s—7 cases wine, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Venetia—4 cases sherry, Atmaram Rungildas.

FROM ANTWERP.
Cairo s—42 packages glasswarc, Dadabhoy Dewraz ; 16 packages papers, S A S Dawood ; 125 boxes candles, Essoofally Rassoojee ; 20 cases color, N Shurufally.

FROM MARSEILLES.
Manilla s—2 quarter casks brandy and 2 quarter casks wine, Eduljee Cowasjee Dalal.

FROM TRIESTE.
Elektra s—60 cases beer, Treacher and Co.

FROM GIBRALTER.
Verona s—1 hogshead sherry, Philpson and Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—FEBRUARY 2.

FOR LIVERPOOL.
Sara s—100 bales cotton, Dewjee Pethraj ; 4 bales wool, and 31 bales goat hairs, V Canjee and Co ; 1,030 cwts bone meal, C Nanjee ; 75 bales wool, Keemajee Veerbhan ; 39 bales wool, Tyebkhan Mahomed ; 44 bales wool, Sucoor Jan Mahomed ; 725 cwts myrabollams, Kika Khooshall ; 350 cwts myrabollams, Vuseejee Veerjee ; 275 cwts myrabollams and 50 cwts beida, Premjee Kevul ; 350 cwts myrabollams, J Purshotum ; 241 bales cotton waste, M Bhimjee ; 170 bales cotton fly, T Jewraj, 40 bales cotton, dropping and 25 bales cotton waste.
Clan Ogilvie s—250 bales cotton, Breul and Co ; 31 bales wool, R Samuthnul ; 100 bales hemp, Lalljee Naronjee ; 150 bales cotton, Gaddum, Bythell and Co ; 163 bales cotton, Vellice Soondurjee ; 50 bales cotton, Breul and Co ; 1,0000 cwts wheat, Lang Moir.
Victoria s—1,600 cwts wheat, Gunsey Kessowji ; 2,000 cwts wheat, Killick Nixon and Co ; 2,000 cwts wheat, Lyon and Co ; 1,6000 cwts wheat, L Anundji.

FOR LONDON.
Clan Forbes s—2.81 lbs sandal wood oil Dattoobhoy, Dossa. 102 cwts. gum M Allana ; 50 cwts gu n, R Ramjee ; 25 cwts gum, W Poonja and Co : 10 bales hides, T Masotti and Co ; 300 lbs nutmegs, 17 cwts senna leaves, 1½ cwts wax and 1,071 cwts gum, Nathoo Lalljee ; 112 cwts dry ginger, Sewjee Ramjee ; 10 bales skins, Mahomedally Abdulla ; 9 cwts ivory, C Allobhoy ; 100 bales cotton, Harvy and Co.
Verona s—28 cwts gum, Dadabhoy Rushmjee ; 220 bales cotton, Lyon and Co ; 110 bales cotton, Thomas H Moore and Co ; 82 cwts gum, M Coorpe, 150 cwts W Poonja and Co ; 1,000 cwts myrobollams Lalji Poonsey and Co ; 110 bales cotton, J C Bushby and Co ; 2,000 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros ; 28 cwts fishmawa and one bale hides Rahimbhoy Fazel ; 500 cwt. grain A Blascheck and Co.

FOR GENOA.
Brehwalda s—1,000 cwts wheat, Olcese and Co ; 415 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co ; 10 cwts wheat, 7 cwts linseed and 562 cwts gingilly seed Kika Khooshall, 4,000 cwts wheat, and 100 bales cotton, Killick Nixon and Co.
Clan Ranold s—10 cwts wheat, 7 cwts linseed, and 562 cwts gingelly seed, Kika Khooshall.

FOR DUNKIRK.
County of Solop s—50 bales cotton, Killick Nixon and Co ; 2,0 1 cwts linseed Punnen and Co ; 3,999 cwts linseed Finlay Muir and Co ; 100 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co.

FOR HULL.
Castle Bank s—3[illegible] cwts linseed, Louis, Dreyfus and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.
Aston Hall s—300 bales cotton, Killick, Nixon ; 200 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co ; 200 bales cotton, F Sanquet and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.
Clan Ranald s—4,000 cwts wheat, Lang, Moir and Co.

FOR PORT SAID.
Hartburn s—10,000 cwts wheat, Wallace and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.
Clyde s—76 cases opium, P and O Co ; 325 bales twist, Cursetjee Homonjee ; 75 bales twist, D P Marker ; 63 bales twist, Currimbhoy Abrahim ; 30 bales twist, R D Sassoon and Co ; 25 bales twist, R Habbibhoy ; 50 bales twist, Sassoon, J David and Co ; 140 bales twist, D Sassoon and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.
Clyde s—68 cwts sandalwood, Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy and Co ; 75 bales twist, Cursetjee Bomanjee ; 523 bales twist and 3 bales piecegoods, E D Sassoon ; 40 bales twist, Isac Ezra ; 50 bales twist, D Sassoon and Co,

FOR YOKOHAMA.
Clyde s—40 bales twist, D Sassoon.

FOR CALCUTTA.
Sirsa s—209 bales cotton, R Luchmidas.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.
BOMBAY, 1st February 1886.
Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·925
Temperature of the Air	69·8
Wet Bulb Thermometer	58·8
Dew Point	50·7
Relative humidity of Air	0·515
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=10)	0·2
Maximum temperature of air (read at 6 p.m.)	78·2
Minimum do. do (read at 10 a.m.)	61·4
General Directions of Wind*	NNE, N, NNW, NW, NNW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours*	410.

* From midnight to midnight

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 31.
Anderson, Col, Bo 2nd Lanc, on leave, from Deesa.

FEBRUARY 1.
Lewes, Capt, Bo 2nd P. Inf P. on leave from Kolat.
Mayne, Lt, Bl. 2nd C. I. H. on duty, from Poona.
Catgrave, Lt. Bo. C. T. Horse, on leave, from Delhi.

FEBRUARY 2.
Jacob, Col. By. 17th N. I. on leave from Poona.
Faulkner, Surg, Bo. 19th Bo. Inf, on leave, from Deesa.
Ranee, Qr-Mr, Bl. 2nd Rl. W. Regt, on leave, from Jubbulpore.

DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 1.
Oliver, Capt, Bo R. E., on furl, to Baroda.

FEBRUARY 2.
McMahon, Lt. Bl. 1st Bl. Dur S. I., to join to Allahabad.
Gubbins, Surg-Maj, Bl. M. S., join to Allahabad.
Moores, Maj. Bl. Devon Regts to join, to Jhansi.
Battye, Maj, Bl. 3rd Gur, on furl, to England.

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THE COMMITTEE of the SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE have the pleasure to announce that under the patronage of H. E. LORD REAY a GRAND EVENING CONCERT in aid of the Funds of the Orphanage will be held in the TOWN HALL, on TUESDAY, 9th February, at 9 o'clock. The Committee have much pleasure in directing attention to the following programme :—

PROGRAMME.
PART I.

1.	Organ Solo...	The Garb of Old Gaul ...General Reid. MR. JOHNSTON.
2.	Song.....	My ain Fireside ..... MRS. WATSON.
3.	Song.....	O at the Airts the Win' can Blaw .....Finlay Dun MRS. MACMILLAN.
4.	Violin Solo.	a. Tyrolienne .....Schubert. b. Chauson Sans Paroles .Wieniawski. HERR SCHMUCK.
5.	Song.....	Robin Adair ..... MRS. MORLAND.
6.	Song.....	The Hundred Pipers ..... Written by Baroness Nairne, MR. WYER.
7.	Song.....	Within a Mile o' Edinboro' Town ..... MRS. HARGRAVE.
8.	Quartette ..	My love is like a red, red Rose .....Finlay Dun.

MRS. MORLAND, MRS. HARGRAVE, MR. DIXON MR. WYER.
Interval of Five Minutes.
PART II.

1.	Organ Solo..	March in flat .....E. Silas. MR. MANT.
2.	Serenade....	Good Night, Beloved .....Balfe. MRS. WATSON.
3.	Song	The Hidden Casket.....Mr. Watson. MRS. Hargrave.
4.	Song.....	Edward Gray.....Arthur Sulli-van. MR. DIXON.
5.	Song.....	Ave Maria.....Hervey. MRS. MORLAND. With Piano and Organ accompaniment.
6.	Song.....	Dundee ..... MR. WYER.
7.	Song.....	Blow, Bugles, Blow.....Sir H. Oakley. MRS. MACMILLAN.
8.	Quarette....	Auld Lang Syne.... MRS. MORLAND, MRS. HARGRAVE, MRS. MACMILLAN, MR. WYER, MR. WATSON, MR. DIXON. With Organ and Piano accompaniment.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED].

DEATHS.

HOYLE—January 24, at Sukkur, Sind, John Cecil Honeybone, the dearly beloved son of Alice Madeline and John Oswald Hoyle, aged fifteen months and three days.
MERCER—January 28, at Lahore, James Wilmot, infant son of Captain C A Mercer, 4th Goorkha Regiment aged five months.
TOWNSEND—January 27, at Fyzabad, Henry Bernard Townsend, Lieutenant, Royal Canadians, son of Surgn-General S C Townsend, C B, aged 19 years.

The Bombay Gazette

WEDNESNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1886

THE defection of Lord Hartington has not bereft Mr. Gladstone of titled support. The new Cabinet has been substantially formed, and five noble lords grace the Radical chariot. Mr. Gladstone declared in a speech some years ago that he had come to realise that an Englishman has a sneaking kindness for a lord. He had he said, noticed that anyone who wished to captivate with a minimum of trouble the affections of the working men, always made it a point to bait his prospectus with plenty of titles. Upon this principle he has now himself taken care to act. The Cabinet may be Radical to an extent not before seen ; but with so many noblemen attached to it it will claim and probably receive a certain share of the confidence of the classes which might have been scared by a ministry unmitigated by noble names. As for Lord Hartington, he has nothing to do with the new venture. He is not included in the Cabinet, mainly no doubt to please himself, and partly it may be assumed because he would not be altogether welcome. Lord Derby, who also refused to co-operate with Mr. Gladstone, has been replaced by Lord Rosebery in the Colonial Secretaryship. Sir Farrer Herschell becomes Lord High Chancellor, Sir Henry James having thrown away his chance of the woolsack. Lord Granville becomes President of the Privy Council, Lord Kimberley taking Foreign Affairs ; while Lord Spencer will probably be the new Secretary of State for India. The appointment of Mr. Chamberlain to the Admiralty will create considerable surprise, and will furnish *Punch* with jokes about screws in the Navy. Mr. Childers goes back to the War Office, and Sir William Harcourt to the Home Department. The appointment of Mr. John Morley to the Chief Secretaryship for Ireland introduces that rising statesman to official life. It also intimates very clearly the course which the new Cabinet is prepared to take with regard to the Irish difficulty. With Mr. Morley in the Castle there can be no question of relapsing into the coercion policy, which he has denounced for years past as the fatal blunder of the last Gladstone administration. Whether Mr. Gladstone will at once proceed to give effect to his views on the subject of Irish self-government is open to doubt. He may desire to get the Cabinet and the new Parliament into working order before committing himself to a course which he must pursue to the end, if he is not to incur the penalty of a great failure. If he desire time to allow opinion to mature, no difficulty will arise on the part of Mr. Parnell, who has stated that he will not force on the discussion. But that Mr. Gladstone will sooner or later take up the question with a view to solving it, is placed beyond all doubt by a telegram which he sent on the 17th of December to the London correspondent of a New York paper, correcting the unauthorised statements in two London papers. The proposals spoken of, he wired, were "unauthorised, but they might be conveniently canvassed. Only an Irish Parliament will meet the case. Local councils will be useless. The right to veto the acts of an Irish Ministry would be an illusion. I propose instead the exercise of sovereign power on the advice of a Minister responsible to the Imperial Parliament. The suggestion of an Irish Privy Council is unworthy of attention. The Privy Council survives only as a relic. The substitute is a Cabinet. The questions of commerce and police are difficult questions, but with limitations I believe that Home Rule may safely be granted, and that it would tend to raise the character of the Irish members." It is strange that this remarkable pronouncement escaped the notice of the London papers, though it found its way into the English provincial journals. With regard then to Irish affairs there can be now no doubt the Liberal Prime Minister will introduce, probably after a period of deliberation, a measure of Home Rule. The Coercion policy is renounced when Mr. Morley is made Chief Secretary, and Lord Spencer provided for at the India Office. A telegram from London which we publish this morning states that the formation of the new Cabinet is now achieved, but that there is a good deal of speculation as to its stability. There is perhaps less ground for misgivings on this score since Lord Hartington and the two or three others who were not prepared to work with Mr. Gladstone have decided to remain aloof from the Cabinet.

THE latest account of affairs in the Far East given by the well-informed correspondent of the *Times* shows, that, in the matter of Corea, China and Japan are still following the wise policy into which they were frightened by the Russian designs upon Corea revealed last year. It will be remembered that, when, on account of the collision between Chinese and Japanese troops in the Corean capital in Dec. 1884, war between China and Japan seemed imminent, the advisers of the Corean King entered into negotiations with Russia. Their policy was to prevent Corea from becoming the battle-field of the contending powers, as it had been several times before in the past, and the best means to effect this object was, in their opinion, to secure the protection of Russia. Accordingly a Corean envoy was sent to Vladivostock, and a draft treaty was drawn up, which would have entirely sacrificed Corean independence, if it had been ratified. The Corean army, police, and militia were to be commanded by Russian officers ; the Corean Government were to enter into no arrangement with foreign powers without the concurrence of the Russian Government ; Russia guaranteed to Corea all her possessions, and freedom from foreign aggression ; Corea was to grant Russia the harbour of Port Lazareff on the Corean coast for use as a naval station ; the telegraphs on the peninsula were to be erected and worked by Russians, and finally post roads were to be made in the north between specified points, which would render Russian military movements into Corea easy. Thus Corea was on the point of playing the part of the horse in Æsop's fable, which, to gain protection against the boar, allowed itself to be bridled, and Russia nearly made a large stride towards the sunny south. However, the possibility of seeing Russia firmly established in the debatable land of Corea soon brought Japan and China to their senses. They hastily patched up their differences, and the Corean Government, having no longer reason to fear that Corea might become the theatre of war, refused to ratify the Russian treaty. Since then Japan and China have been working amicably together to obviate the possibility of future collisions in Corea. The Mikado and his ministers seem to have definitely made up their minds that, in order to be strong against the aggression of threatening western powers, it is necessary to avoid weakening in any way China's powers of resistance. If Russia had got possession of Corea or if France had seized Formosa, it only requires a glance at the map to show is what an uncomfortable proximity to Japan these two great aggressive powers would have established themselves. The Japanese have come to recognise that China is their best bulwark against western aggression. They have therefore shown remarkable pliancy in their Corean policy. With regard to Corea all the concessions seem to have been on their side. Japan in the past several times tried to enforce her claims to suzerainty over Corea by invasion. But at any rate since the middle of the seventeenth century the Chinese Emperor's right to the suzerainty of the country has been continually acknowledged. Since that time every year an embassy with tribute seems to have been sent to Pekin, and each new Corean King on his accession has received from the Chinese Emperor a dragon embroidered jacket as a symbol at once of his kingship over Corea and his vassalage to China. In addition to this the Chinese have generally been more popular in Corea than the Japanese. Recognising these facts the Japanese seem to have entirely given up their claims to interfere in China, which in their past history entailed many evils upon them, and would, if still persisted in, again work them evil. China is no longer to be opposed in her efforts to strengthen her hold upon Corea. All the foreign officials in the service of the Corean King have now received their appointments direct from the Chinese Government. Further[illegible] the Corean King, who was dep[illegible] for instigating the attack upo[illegible] embassy in 1882, and lately spe[illegible] exile in Li Hung Chang's pr[illegible] sent back to Corea with muc[illegible] may guide his son, the Kin[illegible] should go, that is, sec[illegible] Chinese sovereignty. I[illegible] of the thoroughgoing ab[illegible] from interference with [illegible] that we hear of no remo[illegible] made against the instig[illegible] attack upon the Japanese[illegible] ed with honour to his [illegible] influential position at the[illegible] the Chinese decree autho[illegible] the exile, father and so[illegible]

repeat the errors of the past, but to "be intimate with the virtuous, and kindly to neighbouring states, always having uppermost in their minds the good administration of the country ; then internal trouble will be swept away, and external wars will not arise. Thus they will not show themselves unworthy of our deep protecting care." We hope that the admonitions of the decree will be followed, and that its anticipations for the future will be fulfilled. If it is clearly demonstrated to the world that Corea is an integral part of the Chinese Empire, there will be less temptation for other powers to meddle with the country, and what promised not long ago to become a troublesome Asiatic Eastern question will be satisfactorily solved without recourse to war.

UNDER the administration of Mr. Leppoc Cappel, the Director-General, the Telegraph Department has grown to be one of the most important and satisfactory features of British rule in India. Its history during the past few years is a record of almost unbroken progress and development. Last year especially there was a noteworthy expansion of the sphere of its operations, which now not only embraces the whole of the Indian peninsula, but extends to Burmah and Siam, the line connecting these two countries having been successfully completed and placed in a satisfactory working order. But this does not represent the full extent of its growth. Roughly speaking, 2,000 miles of additional wire were laid, making a total of 25,250 miles, and the number of Government signal offices was increased by 50 per cent., the total number at the end of the year being 521, of which 267 are now worked by postal agency. That the public appreciate the convenience of this combination of postal and telegraph functions is shown by the fact that no fewer than 25,650 messages were tendered at Post offices for transmission to the nearest signal office. Except in

TELEGRAMS.

THE GLADSTONE MINISTRY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, FEB. 2.

Mr. Gladstone has succeeded in forming a Cabinet independently of Lord Hartington and Lord Derby. There is much speculation as to the future, in regard to which no announcement has yet been made.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE MINISTERIAL CRISIS.

FORECAST OF THE NEW MINISTRY.

LONDON, FEB. 2.

Mr. Gladstone, who is now at Osborne, has accepted the task of forming a new Ministry.

Parliament met yesterday, and again adjourned until Thursday, pending the formation of a new Ministry.

Lord Granville has been summoned to Osborne.

The *Daily News* publishes a paragraph stating that the following will form the new Ministry :—

The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, Secretary of State, Home Department.

Sir Farrer Herschell, Lord High Chancellor.

Lord Hampden, Lord Privy Seal.

The Right Hon. A. Childers, Secretary of State for War.

The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, First Lord of the Admiralty.

The Right Hon. A. J. Mundella, President of the Board of Trade.

Mr. Morley, Chief Secretary for Ireland.

The paragraph adds that Earl Spencer will probably be appointed Secretary of State for India; Lord Kimberley, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs; Lord Rosebery, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Lord Granville, President of the Privy Council.

THE NAVAL DEMONSTRATION IN SUDA BAY.

Admiral Lord Hay will take the command of all the squadrons now assembling in Suda Bay.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, FEB. 1.

The monthly purchase of silver provided for in the Bill just introduced into the Senate is to be made by means of certificates receivable in payment of Customs duties and taxes.

The Senate has taken no action regarding the former proposal of the Coinage Committee.

AFFAIRS IN UPPER BURMA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, FEB. 2.

The Mandalay refugees contemplate petitioning the Viceroy asking that King Theebaw be compelled to restore to them their relatives' jewellery confiscated in 1879, after the massacres, and which he has been allowed to take with him to Madras. Many of these refugees are in great poverty and distress. It is suggested that those Burmans who put themselves forward as representing all their countrymen might assist them in representing their just grievances to the Viceroy.

The continuous rain which fell yesterday has done some damage to the decorations. It is feared that if it last tue reaped paddy crop may also suffer

Two squadrons of Madras Cavalry arrived here and will be despatched to Upper Burma after the arrival of the Viceroy.

In the Salween district, where the police behaved well in repulsing dacoits, the proportion of Burmans in the ranks was one in fifteen. In the Shoaygyeen district, where failure has been most conspicuous and instances of desertion and cowardice constant, half of the constables and nearly all the officers were Burmese.

CALCUTTA PORT TRUST LOAN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 2.

The Calcutta Port Trust loan of twelve lakhs was taken up yesterday, many offers being rejected. This makes a total of twenty one lakhs. The balance of nine lakhs will not be required till next year.

INSPECTION OF THE TROOPS AND VOLUNTEERS AT CALCUTTA.

The troops in garrison and the volunteers were inspected yesterday morning on the maiden by the Commander-in-Chief.

THE VICEROY'S VISIT TO BURMA.

The Indian Government Steamer Clive proceeded to Diamond Harbour to-day to await His Excellency the Viceroy, who will embark there at ten to-morrow morning. The Viceroy's party will comprise Lady Dufferin, Miss Moore, Mr. Mackenzie Wallace, Lord William Beresford, Major Cooper, Viscount Clandeboye, Dr. Findlay, His Excellency Sir Frederick Roberts, Colonel Pole Carew, Major Neville Chamberlain, Mr. J. J. Turner, A. D. C., Mr. H. M. Durand, Foreign Secretary, and Captain Hext, R. N., Director of Indian Marine. It will be high water at Rangoon at 6 p.m. on Saturday, and Captain Powell will have no difficulty in taking the Clive up the river and landing the viceregal party at Rangoon by 4 p.m. on that day.

H. M. S. Sphinx, Captain Morrison, flying the flag of His Excellency Rear Admiral Sir Frederick Richard, K. C. B., Commander-in-Chief on the East Indian station, will leave her moorings to-morrow morning and proceed direct to Rangoon. The Admiral will arrive in time to take part in the reception of His Excellency the Viceroy, and will, on reaching Rangoon, transfer his flag to H. M. S. Bachante.

SUSPENSION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE CENTRAL JAIL, SALEM.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, FEB. 2.

Mr. W. A. Symonds, Superintendent of the Central Jail, Salem, has been suspended until further orders for submitting, through the head of his department, in obedience to the order of Government, a communication, the tone of which is happily unprecedented. Mr. Symonds was suddenly transferred about four months ago from charge of the Madras penitentiary to Salem, but the reason for this manifestation of the displeasure of Government has not transpired.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAM.]

THE MAILS.

The Bombay mails of the 15th ult. arrived at Brindisi on the 30th ult.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PLYMOUTH, FEB. 1.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Pekin, arrived here this morning.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Kaisar-i-Hind, arrived here this morning.

SUEZ, FEB. 1.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Khedive, arrived here from Colombo this morning.

LONDON, FEB. 1.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macarthur, arrived here on the morning of the 31st ult.

LIVERPOOL, FEB. 1.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Graham, arrived here yesterday morning.

ADEN, FEB. 1.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Kerbella, outward bound for Bombay, Kurrachee, and Malabar Coast, left here this afternoon.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, FEB. 1.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surats steady.

The London Cotton Market has been quiet.

Good Fair Dhollera		4½
The Mauchester Market has been steady.		
4 per cent. Rupee Paper		73½
4½ "		75½
3 "	Consols for account	100½
3½ "	Sterling loan	100⅜
4½ "	French Rentes	109¾ ex-d.
Bar Silver		46½

Arrivals.—Compton-Amphitrite.

SIR WILLIAM WEDDERBURN delivered judgment at the High Court yesterday in a suit in which serious charges of fraud and embezzlement had been made by Daniel David and others against Samuel Elijah and three other members of the Beni-Israel community in their capacity as managers of a synagogue in Shamji Hassajee-street. Samuel Elijah has been the Gobai or treasurer of the synagogue funds ever since the year 1845, and the plaintiffs charged him with having systematically misappropriated the money belonging to the community and fraudulently debited the sums as having been expended on the synagogue. Among other charges against the Gobai was that he had executed a fraudulent mortgage, which was not at all required in the interests of the synagogue. The defendant categorically denied all these charges, and produced documentary evidence, which was held by his lordship to be of a very explicit and satisfactory nature, to prove that he had acted throughout under instructions from the Jumat, that all his proceedings had been well known to the community and had earned the approbation of their representatives. He also showed from his accounts, extending over a period of forty years, that they had, from time to time, been examined, adjusted and approved on behalf of the community. His Lordship held that the evidence given by the plaintiffs was of the vaguest kind, and that they had entirely failed in substantiating the charges which had been recklessly made by them against the defendant. So far as these charges were concerned, the suit was dismissed with costs.

AT THE Criminal Sessions of the High Court, which commenced yesterday, Dhakoo Vittoo, driver of a hack victoria, was convicted of voluntarily causing grievous hurt to Abai, woman, by means of a corrosive liquid which he threw across her face. She had been in his keeping for some ten years, but having separated from him, he tried to persuade her to go and live under his protection again, which she declined to do. About midnight on the 14th December last, he went to the place where she was sleeping, struck a match and then threw a corrosive liquid across her face, which, after a month's treatment at the hospital, had left a long scar all over her face, very much disfiguring it permanently. Mr. Justice Bayley, in passing sentence, told the prisoner he had been found guilty of a most brutal assault upon an unfortunate woman. The law considered such offences to be of so heinous a character that the maximum punishment for them was transportation for life. The assaulting of women, his Lordship remarked, among the lower classes of people in this country, either by nose-cutting or in some other manner, was of too common occurrence; and as a warning to others, the prisoner was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for six years.

COL. RIVETT-CARNAC goes home to-day in the Jumna, after having been Military Secretary to Sir Richard Temple and General Hardinge.

HIS EXCELLENCY FRANCISCO JOAQUIM FERREIRA DO AMARAL, the new Governor-General of Goa, is expected to arrive in India in the course of the current month.

THE new postal regulations for Portuguese India have been approved by the Lisbon Government.

BY a contract made between the Lisbon Minister and Mr. John Breymner a monthly line of steamers to run between Portugal and Goa has been established.

MR. JUSTICE PIGOT, of the Calcutta High Court, has been granted furlough for eight and a half months from the 20th of May next.

THE Hon'ble H. T. Prinsep resumed his seat on January 22.

The Foreign Officers attended Calcutta races on Saturday, afterwards dining at Government House, where they were the guests of the Viceroy.

ONE result of the Camp of Exercise is that the Commander-in-Chief will institute measures having for their object the increase of the number of British officers with native regiments. "The manœuvres," remarks an up country paper, "have made it only too apparent that the existing complement is quite inadequate. What the changes exactly will be we cannot yet say, as the subject has not been fully considered; but twelve officers at least will be the infantry establishment in war time. It is likely that only four of these will be mounted, each of the eight companies having a European leader on foot."

BETTER accounts are given of the Madras troops in the later than in the earlier stages of the operations in Upper Burma. They are getting used to the more serious duties of their profession, and are gaining confidence as they go on. "The truth seems to be," remarks one paper, "that, hereafter, it will be fairer to the Madras troops to employ them oftener in the field or not at all."

THE Indian Copyright Bill is hung up for the present. Lord Randolph Churchill it appears some time ago wrote, as Secretary of State, saying that the English Government were preparing a similar Bill for introduction into Parliament, and under the circumstances he would prefer that the Indian authorities should hold their hand for a while. It is doubtful if the English Bill will come to much, particularly since the change of Ministry and consequent overthrow of the Legislative programme; and it is annoying therefore for the Indian Government to have to wait, when they had been plainly told they might go on with this piece of legislation.

MR. FERRARS, Deputy Conservator of Forests in the Andamans, has incurred the wrath of the Secretary to the Government of India in the Home Department. He has sent in a report which the Superintendent of the Settlement calls "far from lucid," and which the Government of India denounces in far stronger language. It is unmethodical and confused; it is extremely meagre in every respect; and some of it is utterly unintelligible: lastly, "the Governor General in Council regrets to have to express his dissatisfaction with the manner in which Mr. Ferrars has hitherto done his work at the Andamans; unless he shows greater care and promptitude in submission of reports, and greater efficiency generally, it will be necessary to consider whether he can be allowed to retain his present rank in the service."

BY the "permanent incorporation" of Upper Burma with the British Empire, the orders which the King of the Peacock throne used to bestow have become things of the past and their insignia have lost their meaning. The Prince of Wales can no longer wear the sixteen strings of the Tsalway, the highest Order of all, which he was graciously pleased to accept from the old King Mindon Ming. Mr. Gladstone is also a member of the Order. The letter in which, on April 1871, the then Prime Minister of England acknowledged the compliment paid to him was discovered in Mandalay palace some weeks ago. It runs as follows :—

"His Majesty the King of Burma, etc., etc., etc. The undersigned received with much gratification the intimation conveyed to him by Your Majesty's Officers now on a visit to England, of Your Royal Will and Pleasure, to confer upon him, as the Chief Minister of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, the honourable Order of the Tsalway; and he has now the honour to inform Your Majesty, that the Queen has been graciously pleased to allow him to accept the decoration, and that he will value it greatly as a proof of Your Majesty's esteem. It will always be a source of extreme pleasure to the undersigned to be informed of the prosperity of your Majesty's dominions, and to receive continued assurances of the friendly relations now so happily established between the Burmese Empire and the Empire of Great Britain.—(Signed) W. E. Gladstone."

TWO additional Committees have been appointed for the purchase of remounts for the Bengal and Punjab cavalry. They will work through the horse-breeding districts of the North-Western Provinces and Punjab, respectively. The North-West Committee assembles at Etawah, and works northwards towards Meerut and Hurdwar; the Punjab Committee starts from Rawal Pindi, and travels in a south-westerly direction, ending up at Multan. They are ordered to avoid all large centres or towns where fairs have been or are to be held, and will confine themselves to the rural districts. The Committee for the Punjab will be composed of Lieutenant-Colonel R. Atkins, 15th Bengal Cavalry, President; and Captains H. N. Webb, 5th Bengal Cavalry, and R. F. Trotter, 17th Bengal Cavalry, members. The North-Western Provinces Committee is composed of Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. N. Willis, 16th Bengal Cavalry, President; and Captains E. W. Chalmers, 7th Bengal Cavalry, and H. C. Laub, 4th Bengal Cavalry, members. The 5th Bengal Cavalry is to tan a *salootree* to accompany the Punjab Committee, and the 9th Bengal Cavalry will furnish one for the other. The Committees start from Rawal Pindi and Etawah, respectively, on the 15th February.

Roman Urdu seems to be gradually forcing itself to the front. A curious illustration has come to the notice of an up-country paper. On the Harnai Railway, contractors and others, disgusted at the way in which munshis, unless duly bribed, purposely misread their petitions, have in some instances taken to writing their grievances in Roman Urdu, and giving their letters themselves into their officers' hands.

SHIP CAPTAINS will be intersted to know that the lighthouse on Java's Fourth Point, which was destroyed by the Krakatau eruption in August 1883 has been replaced. The new lighthouse, which is placed about 60 yards more inward than the former one, is 165 feet high, so that the focus of the light is elevated 182 feet above the level of the sea

THE *Pioneer* understands that the body about to be appointed to consider possible economies in Indian expenditure will be a Finance Committee, not a Finance Commission as at first announced. The distinction in terms is worthy of note. A Commission is always a ponderous body, slow and uncertain in its action; whereas a small carefully chosen Committee of experts, examining most thoroughly into the ways and means of Government, can put forward suggestions and advise economies quickly and succinctly, without having its deliberations weighted by masses of extraneous evidence. As the head of such Committee the *Pioneer* knows no man more capable among our distinguished officers than Mr. Charles Elliott, now on his way back from England to India. Mr. Westland's name also occurs at once as that of an expert, while if Mr. Robert Steel's services could be secured a guarantee would be given of the extra-official interest being thoroughly looked after. The Committee will, it is stated, assemble at Simla when the head-quarters of Government move there, and its deliberations are likely to extend over the hot weather, thus enabling the Government to frame their next year's budget by the light of the recommendations made. It is suggested that to strengthen the hands of the Committee the services of some great financier from England might be secured, who would take an independent view of the whole of the circumstances connected with Indian finance.

THE honorary freedom of the Grocers' Company was recently presented to Lieut.-Genl. Sir Herbert Taylor Macpherson, V.C., K.C.B., K.C.S.I., "in recognition of his distinguished services in Persia, and also during the Indian mutiny, and more recently in Egypt, where he commanded the Indian contingent." The General subsequently dined with the Court of Assistants. Owing to his very short stay in England, the ceremony could not take place, as usual, in the Livery Hall, where honorary members on admission are usually introduced to the Livery. The Master (Mr Joseph C. Dimsdale) presided, and among those present were Alderman Sir R. Hanson, General Sir A. Taylor, K.C.B., Surgeon-General Cornish, Sir H. Rae Reid, Bart., Colonel Stephson, C.B., Major-General Sim, Colonel Howard, Mr H. Kimber, M.P., Captain Douglas Galton, R.E., Colonel Lumsden, Lieut.-Col. Murray, Captain H. Barron, and a large muster of the Court. The latter, in proposing the toast of "General Macpherson" referred to his many achievements as a soldier, and assured him that the company were gratified to welcome him as one of their body. He then handed the General his certificate of freedom in an elegant gold casket. The General, in rising to respond, was received with applause. He thanked the company for the honour they had conferred upon him, and said that he should look upon the handsome casket and its contents as a heirloom to be handed down to his son.

THE possibility of an alliance between Servia and Greece is mooted from several quarters. That would imply the invasion of old Servia by King Milan's troops, combined with simultaneous action on the part of Greece. Telegrams from Belgrade state that negotiations between the Servian and Greek Governments in view of an alliance have positively begun. It is difficult to test such news in Vienna; but it is a fact that when the King of Greece and king Milan met in Vienna last September a good deal was said about eventual cooperation between their Hellenic and Servian Majesties, that Greece and Servia would take the field together at an early date. Some great people here were much startled at what was said to them on the subject by the two crowned heads concerned. King Milan appeared quite confident of assistance from Greece whenever he should choose to open hostilities against the Turks. Subsequently he altered his plans and attacked Bulgaria; but it may very well be that he now thinks of resuming his original plan, and, under given circumstances, of trying conclusions with the Turk. This gives considerable interest to the following passage of a statement made by Gadban Pasha to the correspondent of the *Novoya Vremya* :—

There is limit to all forbearance, and a single drop suffices to make a glass of water overflow. We have given proofs of the utmost patience, although we had 20,000 men within half-an-hour's march of the Eastern Roumelian frontier, and 1 0,000 at Adrianople. When I add that we had another 100,000 in position against Servia and at Janina against Greece, I have said enough. If the plea of the first defendant was that it was executed in good faith for the benefit of the community, and that the whole transaction was carried out with their full knowledge and approval. To show that this debt was well-known to the community and accepted by them, the defendant had referred to a power of attorney executed to him and Haskel on the 17th November, 1870, by the Panch Jamat. On the 18th January, 1873, the defendant issued a hand-bill calling upon all the community to attend a meeting of the Jamat in order to take his accounts. The meeting appeared to have been held, and examiners were appointed, who had made a report stating that the accounts were correct. This audit was accepted by the Jamat. It appeared that in answer to the plaintiffs' challenge the "Gabai" had produced his accounts for the long term of forty years, which showed periodical formal adjustments purporting to have been accepted by the community interested. Now the ordinary rule of law was that an account stated might be set up by way of plea as a bar to relief, unless it was shown that there had been some mistake, omission, accident, fraud or undue advantage by which the account stated was vitiated and the balance incorrectly fixed. In such a case a court would allow it to be re-opened and re-examined. But the defence of the "Gabai" that he had acted throughout under the instructions of the Jamat, and that his proceedings were well known to the community, and had been subsequently formally approved by them, was supported by documentary evidence which on the face of it, was of a very explicit and satisfactory kind. As against this, the plaintiffs did not allege the falsification of any particular document or account, and they practically admitted that the various adjustments had been effected as they purported to have been. But they alleged that these audits and examinations were a mere sham, and that they were carried out by a small clique who were partisans of the "Gabai" and under his influence. They further stated that for a long time the community in general was kept in ignorance of the "Gabai's" wrongful proceedings, and that afterwards they were prevented by intimidation from obtaining explanation and redress. Now it would require very strong evidence to make the court believe that such a system of fraud, concealment, and intimidation was successfully carried on during so long a period of years. It was highly improbable that such a deception could be repeated in a community like the Beni-Israel, where the people were evidently intelligent and tenacious of their rights. There had been repeated schisms and disputes among them on minor points, breaking up the party into various sub-divisions; and it seemed evident that if there had been such gross malpractices as those alleged they would have become the subject of mutual recriminations. Furthermore, the evidence of the plaintiffs was of the vaguest kind.

After paying the mortgage debt, his Lordship saw no reason to believe that the mortgage was without consideration, that the debt was improperly contracted, and that the transaction was concealed from the community. Finally, as regards the alleged forcible exclusion of the plaintiffs from the synagogue, his Lordship thought the evidence was defective, and looking to the reckless statements made by them on other points, he was not inclined to believe them as regards their present allegation. For these reasons, his Lordship was of opinion that none of the charges of fraud and misconduct had been proved against the "Gabai." The prayers of the plaint against the first defendant were dismissed with costs. It was directed that an account might be taken of moneys by Haskal Abraham, and that defendants three and four as his representatives might be decreed to pay the amount found due. One of the issues raised in the case was that if the court held the mortgage valid, it might be declared that the members of the synagogue were entitled to redeem the same, and that an account might be taken of the amount due on the mortgage. As to this the defendants had expressed their willingness that the debt should be redeemed. An account might, therefore, be taken of the amount due upon the mortgage, and on payment of the same it was directed that the property should be conveyed to the community.

AN addition of $4,800 has been made to the salary of the Governor of the Straits Settlements.

A TERRIBLE disaster is reported from Aix-la-Chapelle. A spinning-mill was burned down there, fifteen persons perishing in the flames.

A DUEL with swords was fought on December 21 at Nice between M. Pollary, a correspondent of the staff of the *Gil Blas*, and M. de Moudéon. The latter was wounded in two places, but not seriously.

A DUEL has been fought with swords between Signor Luzzatto, editor of the *Tribune*, and Signor De Paz, an Italian correspondent at Massowa, in consequence of differences between them which had been ventilated in their respective newspapers regarding the Italian operations in the Red Sea. After four assaults, during which slight wounds were given, the requirements of honour were considered satisfied, and the combatants cordially shook hands.

HERE is an example of the manner in which far eastern nations are arming. Japan has at present two swift cruisers nearly finished at Newcastle, one of which recently showed a speed of nineteen knots an hour; but it has also ordered thirty-eight torpedo-boats of various descriptions to be constructed with all possible speed. Ten of these are nearly ready, and the whole number will be sent out in pieces by the two vessels above mentioned. They will be put together at one or other of the Japanese dockyards.

THE Prussian Diet was opened on January 14 by the Emperor in person. The Speech from the Throne commenced by expressing his Majesty's gratitude for all the assurances of the love and fidelity of his people received on the occasion of his recent jubilee. The Speech then proceeds as follows :—I have derived equal satisfaction from the many expressions of benevolent sympathy which reached me from countries beyond the borders of the Fatherland. These assurances correspond with the friendly relations existing between the empire and all foreign Governments, and support my full belief in the sure continuance of peace. The Emperor then charges the President of the Prussian Ministry to communicate statements to the House regarding the financial situation, and also his proposals in regard to necessary legislation.

THE Hungarian or Croatian port of Fiume, on the Adriatic, has just been the scene of a serious military disturbance. Four Croatian students gained admittance to the barracks at that place, and spread the report amongst the Croatian regiment there quartered that a revolution had broken out in Croatia, and that a number of regiments had sided with the revolutionaries. They concluded by urging the soldiers to join in the revolt, and "to kill the Magyars." Yielding to their persuasion, a number of the troops, seizing their rifles, declared themselves ready to join the revolutionary party. A cadet of the regiment, noticing the disturbance, came up to the men and ordered them to lay down their arms, which they refused to do. They likewise disobeyed the commands of a lieutenant to the same effect. In the meantime the alarm was given, and a loyal company appeared and disarmed the mutineers. The four young conspirators who instigated the mutiny have since been arrested in Fiume.

DISSENSIONS IN THE BENI-ISRAELITE COMMUNITY.

THE Hon. Sir William Wedderburn gave judgment at the High Court yesterday in the suit of Daniel David and others *vs.* Samuel Elijah and others. The plaintiffs, as representatives of the Beni-Israelite community in Bombay, charged the first defendant, who holds the office of Gabai, or treasurer, of a synagogue in Shamjee Hassajee-street with fraud and misappropriation of the synagogue funds, and prayed for his removal from the office of treasurer. Charges of fraud and misappropriation were also made against three of the other defendants, who acted as managers of the synagogue. The suit was called on to-day for judgment.

His Lordship, in delivering judgment, began by reciting the circumstances of the case. He said the plaint set forth that about the year 1796 one Samuel Ezekiel, a Beni-Israelite, inhabitant of Bombay, built a synagogue in Shamjee Hassajee-street at his own cost, and dedicated it for the use of the community, reserving to himself and his male descendants the right of management. The members of the community gave donations and fees for the maintenance of the synagogue, and Samuel Ezekiel and other members of the community gave certain pieces of land for the use of the synagogue. It was further stated in the plaint that seven warehouses had been erected upon this land out of the synagogue funds, and that the fees and rents were received by the "Gabai" on account of his alleged frauds and malversation should be handed over to them. As regards this prayer, the plaintiffs would have had no reason to complain, if the court had required them to satisfy the Advocate-General that such a course was expedient in the interest of all concerned, and the wishes of the majority of the community would have had an important bearing on this point. But the plaintiff had, under section 30, obtained the permission of the court to sue on behalf of all parties interested. For these reasons his Lordship decided the issues relating to the plaintiffs' right to bring the suit, and demanded an account in their favour. Coming to the plaintiffs' charges of fraud and misconduct, his Lordship said the allegations covered a period of nearly forty years. The accounts had been adjusted and examined from time to time by members of the community and found to be correct. As to the mortgage, although it was alleged that the debt was that it was executed in good faith for the benefit of the community, and that the whole transaction was carried out with their full knowledge and approval. To show that this debt was well-known to the community and accepted by them, the defendant had referred to a power of attorney executed to him and Haskel on the 17th November, 1870, by the Panch Jamat. On the 18th January, 1873, the defendant issued a hand-bill calling upon all the community to attend a meeting of the Jamat in order to take his accounts. The meeting appeared to have been held, and examiners were appointed, who had made a report stating that the accounts were correct. This audit was accepted by the Jamat. It appeared that in answer to the plaintiffs' challenge the "Gabai" had produced his accounts for the long term of forty years, which showed periodical formal adjustments purporting to have been accepted by the community interested. Now the ordinary rule of law was that an account stated might be set up by way of plea as a bar to relief, unless it was shown that there had been some mistake, omission, accident, fraud or undue advantage by which the account stated was vitiated and the balance incorrectly fixed. In such a case a court would allow it to be re-opened and re-examined. But the defence of the "Gabai" that he had acted throughout under the instructions of the Jamat, and that his proceedings were well known to the community, and had been subsequently formally approved by them, was supported by documentary evidence which on the face of it, was of a very explicit and satisfactory kind. As against this, the plaintiffs did not allege the falsification of any particular document or account, and they practically admitted that the various adjustments had been effected as they purported to have been. But they alleged that these audits and examinations were a mere sham, and that they were carried out by a small clique who were partisans of the "Gabai" and under his influence. They further stated that for a long time the community in general was kept in ignorance of the "Gabai's" wrongful proceedings, and that afterwards they were prevented by intimidation from obtaining explanation and redress. Now it would require very strong evidence to make the court believe that such a system of fraud, concealment, and intimidation was successfully carried on during so long a period of years. It was highly improbable that such a deception could be repeated in a community like the Beni-Israel, where the people were evidently intelligent and tenacious of their rights. There had been repeated schisms and disputes among them on minor points, breaking up the party into various sub-divisions; and it seemed evident that if there had been such gross malpractices as those alleged they would have become the subject of mutual recriminations. Furthermore, the evidence of the plaintiffs was of the vaguest kind.

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BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MATCH IV.

	300	500	600	Total.	Fired on
Lc.-Corpl. W.C. Mackinnon.	27	32	15	74	1-2-86.

The following are the scores made in Match V., National Rifle Association, Silver Medal.

	200	500	600	Total.
Vol. W. Watkins	28	31	28	87
Vol. J. A. Mckinnon	28	28	28	84
Sergt. Keess	27	32	25	84
Sergt. H. Black	30	28	24	84
Vol. L. Crawley	28	31	23	82
Sergt. D. J. Sharp	29	24	28	81
Vol. W. Stephens	30	33	19	82
Vol. G. B. Stacey	29	33	19	81
Corpl. E. Thomas	28	28	24	80
Capt. R. S. Brown	29	24	27	80
Lieut. T. M. English	28	23	28	79
Vol. C. Major	26	26	24	76
Corpl. W. Tate	26	29	21	76
Corpl. C. H. Battler	26	29	20	75
Vol. C. H. Dolton	27	23	24	74
Vol. H. Kelly	28	27	17	72
Vol. R. Gilbert	25	31	16	72
Color.-Sergt Melvin.	30	29	13	72
Corpl. L. Myer	28	26	17	71
Sergt. McCloughin	22	29	19	70
Vol. Gordon	27	24	18	69
Lc.-Corpl. T. Thomas	30	20	18	68
Lc.-Corpl. Devlin	25	31	10	66
Vol. J. H. Hurst	17	24	19	60

DEPARTURE OF THE TROOPSHIP JUMNA.

H. M.'s Troopship Jumna, Captain FitzGeorge, sails to-day for England with 53 officers, 15 ladies, 14 children, 281 men, 21 women, and 56 children. The following is the list of officers and their families :—Col and Mrs E S Rivett-Carnac; Bde-Surg and Mrs B C Kerr, Bl M S; Lt-Col J G R Macneill, Ms Staff; Surg-Maj and Mrs W Robertson, Ms S; Maj and Mrs H W Apperley and infant, Bl, 9th Lanc; Vety-Surg and Mrs J Macartney and maid; Surg W Coats, Bl M Dept; Capt and Mrs A W Jamieson; Surg and Mrs D Wardrop, Bl M S; Surgs H G Christian, J M Jones, F M Baker, and P M Carleton, Bl M S; Surg R W and Mrs Barnes, one infant and maid; Surg J O G Sandford, Bl M S; Capt E Lewes, Bl S C; Capt and Mrs A Pennington and 2 children; Capt and Mrs R L Payne and one child, Ms, Somersetsh; Capt W S Burrell, Bl, Rl W Surv; Capt J C Allen, Ms, Somersetsh; Lt and Mrs F W Jones, Bl, N Lanc; Lt Napier, Ms, Somersetsh; Lts J M Burt, and E W Blunt, Bl, R A; Lt and Mrs J Eardly Wilmt, Bl S C; Lt V Richards, Bl, Devon; Lt F G G Griffin, Bl, Lanc; Lt D S Stewart, Bl, Northum Fus; Lt, H L Rokeby, Ms, 1st Rifle Bde; Lt Y S Cooper, Ms, R A; Lt F J Delsex, Bl, West Regt; Lt W F Walter, Bl, Seaf Regt; Lt P E Llanthy, Bl, S York; wife of Maj S N Roberts, Bl, Liverpool Regt; wife of Capt Whittingdale, Northum Fus; Wife of Qr-Mr G Rance, Rl, Rl W Regt; two sons of the Hon Lt J A Ezekiel, Com Dept.

MR. WORDSWORTH ON HINDOO SOCIAL REFORM.

MR. WORDSWORTH has addressed a long letter to Mr. Malabari on the subject of Hindoo Social Reform. He writes :—

Since the interesting conversation which I had with you in the Christmas holidays I have read the correspondence you kindly placed in my hands, and have been considering whether it was in my power, as you seemed to think it was, to give you any assistance in your crusade, as people call it, against the Hindu customs of Infant Marriage and Compulsory Widowhood. But the more I considered the matter, the more doubtful it appeared to me, whether I should be wise to attempt it, or whether I or any person outside the circle of Hindu Belief had qualified to interfere in these delicate controversies. Perhaps you may think that this sentence is designed to convey an oblique censure on yourself for your vehement advocacy of Hindoo Social Reform. But I have no desire to insinuate that you have done no good in following your own line, or that you have stepped beyond your proper province. And even if I thought so, I should still hesitate to condemn you on that score, because I know that you have acted in this matter like one inspired, and that some of the greatest results in this world have been achieved not by calculation, but inspiration.

As an Asiatic and a native of India, you stand much nearer to the Hindus than I do. Your people have adopted some of their habits, and incorporated some elements of Hindu religion, ritual, and philosophy with their own. Naturally, therefore, you understand Hindus much better than I do, and will make fewer mistakes than I should do if I had the courage to admonish them on their social and religious shortcomings. You will perhaps tell me, that the opinion of an Englishman has more weight with one section, at least, of Hindu Society, than the opinion of a Parsi, and that it is my duty to use any influence I may possess in promoting directly and ostensibly those reforms which you, and men like you, have at heart. You will also, perhaps, say that my rather exclusive interest in intellectual emancipation and political progress is a mistake, that the first is hardly desirable, and the second unattainable, without a previous reform in religion, in morals, and family life. Now, as I value neither of this character not less, I hope, than you do, I am going to tell you briefly why I do not share that opinion, and what my personal judgment of certain Hindoo customs is, and why I think that a further development, on its present lines, of your crusade against those customs must, as things now are, retard rather than promote reform. It will tend to clearness of thought if I take the two latter points first.

For the purpose I have in view, it is unnecessary that I should touch on any other topics than the two which you have been handling so vigorously. Let me say then, that I consider Infant Marriage an irrational practice, and one which must seriously hamper any nation that adopts it. I believe that this opinion is held by all Hindus who have learned to exercise their reason freely, and that even among the followers of the old learning, there are some who hold it. I listened with keen interest, the other day to Mr. Raghonath Row's lecture on this subject, and to Mr. Ranade's impressive appeal to his countrymen to accept the platform proposed by the lecturer. It seemed to me that the audience were, on the whole, agreed that Infant and Early Marriages were undesirable, but that their agreement went no further. The condition of the unhappy class, the Child-widows of India, though less pitiable than that of infants married without their own choice or will to aged sensualists, is one which must command universal sympathy, and which no priestly casuistry can excuse or palliate. In a pamphlet by Mr. Raghonath Row, which I have been re-reading lately, there is a passage which portrays in lurid colours the hard lot of these innocent victims, and analyses the theological or metaphysical assumptions on which it is grounded, I have no more reason for questioning the substantial truth of Mr. Raghonath Row's representations than I have for questioning the truth of Manzoni's moving picture in the *Betrothed* of the fate of Italian noble maidens whom aristocratic pride condemned to a cloistered life before they were old enough to make a choice. But I must frankly say that, perverse and cruel as such practices are, I do not believe that their moral and social consequences have been or are, so disastrous as eager reformers would wish us to believe. I do not believe that Italian Nuns, whose vocation was determined by their parents' choice, were necessarily either miserable or vicious, or that the same can be said of the great majority of Hindu widows. Human nature is marvellously plastic, and a state of life, which many women deliberately adopt, and which extrinsic circumstances impose on a multitude of others in all civilized lands, cannot be without compensating consolations. In those cases where it is sweetened by domestic affection, sustained by religious devotion, or fortified by intellectual passion, I have no doubt, that the lives of those who, from choice or necessity, adopt it, are neither unprofitable nor unhappy. I share, of course, your own judgment of that masculine egotism which has imposed on one half of the human race in India a law of sacrifice from which the other half is relieved. But the feminine world of India is, I suppose, hardly conscious of this inequality, and finds a consolation in self-sacrifice which we can hardly estimate. In India, where for ages the thoughts and habits of men have been controlled and dominated by religious ideas, it is easy to understand how the sacramental or mystical conception of marriage as binding tie for time and eternity, and the inferences which have been drawn from that conception, should have taken such deep root and possess such enduring vitality. In the primitive Christian society in which this temporal life was also darkened by the overpowering vision of the hereafter, the sacramental conception of marriage was among its earliest developments, and second marriages, as you know, were tolerated, and barely tolerated, as concessions to human weakness. On this subject even S. Paul, in whom practical judgment went hand in hand with mysticism, uses language which strikes harshly on modern ears. If European society had ever been as completely moulded by theological beliefs and priestly rules as Hindu society has been I am persuaded that re-marriage, or at least the re-marriage of women, would have also been prohibited in Europe. If this had been done, European society would certainly have suffered, but not perhaps so much in the direction which you would be inclined to suppose. How far Indian society has suffered, and how far it has gained, if you will concede that it has gained anything, from its peculiar marriage customs; is a problem which no one is in a position to solve. I believe that those customs are inconsistent with the new life into which India is daily being impelled, and that the new ideals of

ground of any right of interference with the action of another foreign Power. The danger to other foreigners resident in the country under treaties and by acts which constitute a violation of right common to several Powers is the justification. And such is the effect of the most favoured nation clause. In this affair of Tsusima, for instance, if Russia had been enabled to take possession of Tsusima or to effect a permanent settlement in its harbour, the British and every other treaty Power could claim an equal right. This would not, of course, have suited the Russian policy. That required exclusive possession, and the incompatibility of this with a right in common to all the other treaty Powers was in effect the strong point of the intervention of the British representative and the admiral in the struggle forced upon the Japanese Government to maintain the inviolability of their territory. Out of evil good sometimes comes. I believe this was the first occasion that the Ministers of the Tycoon fully realized that their best security as a weak Power against the aggression of any one of the stronger treaty Powers was the common interest they all had in the faithful observance of treaties, and the right it gave them to resist any overt violation of those existing to their prejudice.

I have thought that as much is to be learnt from past experience of difficulties overcome or dangers averted, the recital of the chief incidents of this Tsusima episode, enacted 25 years ago, may not be without its use in present circumstances.

SIR WILFRID LAWSON ON THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

SIR WILFRID LAWSON writes as follows to the *Pall Mall Gazette* :—

In an article on Home Rule you say: "We are all for Home Rule plus the Ten Commandments. But if the Irish seek Home Rule expressly to violate the Ten Commandments with impunity, then they shall not have Home Rule, let them demand it ever so loudly." I have my doubts whether it is possible to "violate the Ten Commandments with impunity," but we will not stop to argue that point. But what I want to know is how far you intend to carry this "Ten Commandment" theory? Is it applicable to all nations or only to the Irish? If the former, how shall we stand in England? The ten Commandments forbid, among other things, murder, stealing, lying and coveting our neigbour's possesion. Do we reverence the Command, "Though shalt do no murder!" Let the thousands of Zulus, Afghans, Egyptians, and Arabs whom we have slaughtered during the last few years give dumb evidence on that point. The slaughter of these unfortunate men, whose crime is that they are worse armed than we are, is duly hailed with public acclamation and with ecclesiastical thanksgiving! Stealing is equally popular. At this very moment the press gushes with rapturous delight because Lord Dufferin has succeeded in stealing the territory of the Burmese. As to lying, I need say nothing, as we are all fresh from the general election. The Irish will be very ingenious if they can contrive to violate the Ten Commandments more successfully than we do in very many of our public proceedings. The crimes for which we are responsible are, however, mainly committed against feeble foes who have no means of stating their case to the world. But the violation of the Eight Commandment, which is what you really fear will be endorsed in Ireland, will be committed against the body of Irish landlords, who, up to a recent period, have had their own way in that country. The fear is that the tenants will steal the property of the landlords. In former times the landlords have stolen the property of the tenants. In either case stealing is most deplorable, but I do not know whether, in a moral point of view, the latter is worse than the former. Honest men must hope that both may be put a stop to. Sir, I hold by the Ten Commandments, and I heartily wish that all nations and all individuals would pay them practical deference. All that I maintain at present is, that the fear that the Irish may on one point adopt a different course is not enough to justify us in refusing them the benefit of self-government. If we are to wait until we have guarantees for the observance of the Ten Commandments before we grant political rights to nations, we shall have, I fear, to wait until doomsday, or, at the very least, until the millennium is upon us.

THE "EDINBURGH REVIEW" ON HOME RULE.

THE current number of the *Edinburgh Review* just issued, contains an article on "Popular Government," which is notable for the emphasis with which it denounces the Jacobins, as well as for its determined opposition to any scheme of Home Rule.

"What would have been the opinion of Lord Althorp, Lord Russell, Lord Palmerston, and indeed of Mr. Gladstone himself, down to a recent period, on such a proposal? They would have said that such a scheme could only originate in the brain of a lunatic or a traitor. The late Sir Robert Peel is known to have declared that the repeal of the Union would reduce Great Britain to the rank of a fourth-rate Power, and Ireland to a howling wilderness. Mr. Gladstone's whole policy since 1880 has been directed to resist these very demands; he has endeavoured to disarm them by excessive conciliation; he has endeavoured to repress them by exceptional measures of legal procedure. But, singularly enough, the result of the Irish elections has not left him a single supporter. The bitterest taunt aimed at the Conservative party was the imputation of an intrigue with the Irish Nationalists; they were to be left, it was said with extreme vulgarity, 'to stew in their Parnellite juice.' It now seems that the order of things is reversed. Lord Spencer denied with indignation the existence of what was termed the Kilmainham Treaty; but the admission of the chief demand of Mr. Parnell is a surrender of a far broader character. We do not suppose that Lord Spencer is a party to it.

"We protest, in the name of the principles which the liberal party and its leading statesmen have hitherto unalterably professed, against a measure fraught with the most disastrous consequences to both kingdoms. It would throw Ireland back two centuries; for the Irish Parliament of to-day would not be Grattan's Parliament of 1782, but King James II.'s Parliament of 1689, in which there were but six Protestants—a Parliament which repealed the Act of Settlement, and attained every Irishman loyal to the English Crown. Far from resolving the Irish question, as it is termed, the concession of independent legislative and administrative authority to an Irish Parliament would be the commencement of difficulties and differences far more dangerous and insoluble; for if those disputes cannot be adjusted by one sovereign power, could they be settled by rival Legislatures? There is no such thing as divided or double sovereignty. The Crown and Parliament of the United Kingdom are supreme, or they are powerless. They can accept no nominal allegiance. Nor are any promises, guarantees, or securities, as they are called, of the slightest value. How are they to bind future Legislatures? How are they to be enforced if broken? They would have exactly the same value as the convention concluded with the Boers after Majuba Hill, which recognized the Queen's suzerainty, but which was violated with impunity before the ink was dry.

"By whom is the Queen's government in Ireland to be carried on, under a system of legislative and administrative independence? Mr. Parnell boasts that he represents a majority of the people of Ireland; but does he represent its intelligence, or the commercial interest, or the landed interest, or any element in the country but its ignorance and fanaticism? It deserves remark that not one single Irish gentleman of education, property, station, and political experience has ever given in his allegiance to Mr. Parnell. The old and estimable Irish Liberal party has been extinguished and proscribed by him. His recruits are mere adventurers or tools of contemptible capacity and low estate. Are these the men who would form the future rulers of Ireland? It would be governed by a club of Jacobins.

"If the country were on the brink of invasion by a foreign enemy, there is not a man in England who would not combine a defence of the inviolable soil of these islands, and support the Queen's authority in whatever hands it might be placed. Is this less than an invasion, which threatens to rend asunder the United Kingdom, and has already thrown into the heart of our electorate the avowed enemies of the English nation? It is an invasion by a band of men, disguised as our fellow-countrymen, but boasting of their hatred to this country, whose track is marked in their own island by hideous crimes, who have attempted to blow up the Tower of London and Westminster Hall with dynamite, who draw their resources from foreign countries where they have established an organization avowedly hostile to England, and who have now penetrated in large numbers to the benches of the House of Commons. Shall we be told that it is more easy for Englishmen to submit to a shameful capitulation, for party purposes, to these opponents, than it is to overcome the rivalry and jealousy of their own factions? We cannot believe it. Patriotism and honour forbid it. A common danger must be met by common resistance. The Commons of England would be unworthy of the name of a Legislature if they allowed a small minority to triumph over the representatives of the nation, not by its own strength or by the justice of its cause, but by their own fatal divisions."

MR. CHAMBERLAIN ON SMALL HOLDINGS.

ON Jan. 10, Mr. Chamberlain delivered an address at a meeting of the allotments and Small Holdings Association. His remarks are additionally interesting from the fact that they deal with the subject upon which the Conservative Ministry was defeated. He said :—

The condition of the agricultural labourers of this country is the keynote to the solution of the whole land question (cheers), and it is the first step towards any improvement in the position of the great mass of the population, which in these times of severe and continued depression is matter of no slight anxiety, and even perhaps of danger. (Cheers.) It would be a breach of faith on our part if we were not to deal at the earliest possible moment with this question. (Cheers.) Now, what are the promises that we have made? The Tories have lied on this question (cheers) with a vigour and a persistency and a unanimity (laughter) which have almost elevated mendacity into the rank of a virtue, (Laughter and cheers.) They have universally asserted that we have promised to every labourer, as a free gift, three acres of land and a cow. (Laughter.) Well, I do not think the labourers are fools. (Cheers.) They have not shown it at the last election (laughter and cheers), and I do not suppose that many of them have been deceived by this falsehood. I sometimes think we are a little too eager to contradict it (laughter); and at all events, if we deem it to be necessary to repudiate this burlesque upon our intentions and our promises, at least let us take care not to discourage the expectation, perfectly praiseworthy and reasonable in itself, that at all events facilities shall be given by legislation for every thrifty and industrious labourer to obtain at a fair price a direct, an independent, and a secure interest in the soil that he cultivates. (Cheers.) Thanks to the education of the labourers, the Liberal party redeemed in the counties the defeats which it suffered in some of the boroughs. But that is not all. We have secured practical advantages to the labourers themselves. We are not going to allow the welfare of the labourer to be a matter of grace and favour and the interests of the whole country so much involved in this question. We are bound by our principles to give it the sanction of legislation, and I am convinced that no settlement is possible which does not afford facilities to all who may desire it to obtain this direct and independent interest of which I have spoken in the land. (Cheers.) Reference has been made to the Bill prepared by the association, and it is intended, I suppose, as a practical draft to show how our principles may be put into legislation. I do not imagine that any of us are expected to pledge ourselves to all the details of those proposals. These are matters which may very properly be left to further and fuller consideration, but I do hope we are all agreed upon the main principles of the Bill. There are three of those main principles, and with your permission I will briefly refer to them. In the first place, we propose that the responsibility of dealing with this question shall be thrown upon local representative popular authorities elected by all the ratepayers and voted for under the protection of the ballot. (Cheers.) The second principle is that the powers to take land which shall be intrusted to those local authorities shall be compulsory powers. (Cheers.) Then as to the third point, which I think is of even greater importance. It is that when the community has to take land for any public purpose it shall be enabled to enter upon its possession at a fair price. (Cheers.) That is the real difficulty we have to overcome. That is the *crux* which stands in the way of our opponents; that is the mouthful which the landowners cannot swallow, although it is the condition which has earned for the promoters of this association charges of robbery and confiscation being made against them. Robbery and confiscation! Why, I should have thought that the terms might rather be applied to those who are not satisfied with the fair price for their property, and who insist upon exacting an extortionate value from the necessities of the community. (Cheers.) I confess I have had very large experience of the purchase of property by local authorities, and as far as that has gone in every case that has come to my knowledge the ratepayers have been mulcted of from 15 to 50 per cent. in addition to the real value of the property, and in consequence of the system under which they have to purchase it. (Hear, hear.) It is estimated, I believe, that the railways of this country have cost £250,000,000 sterling over and above the true value of the land which has been taken, and owing to similar causes. What does that mean? It means that at this moment the trade of the country is burdened with an annual tax of £2,000,000 of money, which is the price which commerce pays to landowners for the privilege of improving their property. I think myself that the time has come when at all events this form of ransom should cease (laughter and cheers), and that it should no longer be considered one of the rights of property to go on blackmailing the public wherever their wants and necessities require them to enter into the bargain. (Cheers.) If the conditions which I have laid down are accepted in legislation, I have no doubt whatever of the result. I believe that in that case you will see innumerable experiments tried all over the country, and under the most favourable conditions. They will be watched by those who are most interested in their success and most capable of securing it, and you will do something to revive the attractions of the rural districts to improve the conditions of the labourers, and to give to all of them a prospect of independence and the means of comfortable existence. You will in this way make a commencement towards the raising of the average condition of the mass of the population, and you will secure the institutions of the country by basing them on the contentment of the people. (Cheers.)

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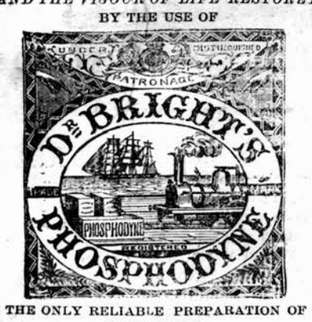

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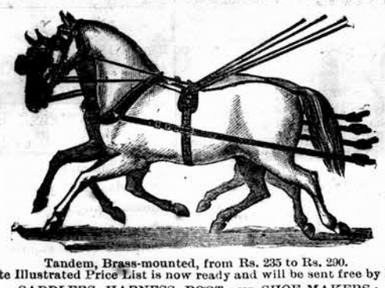

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